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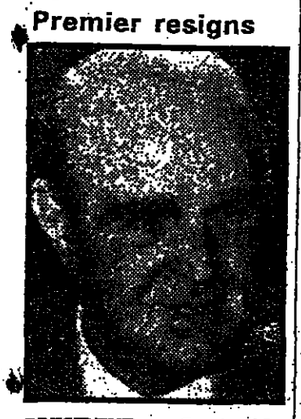
### Parents' action

A GROUP of parents plan to enter a school today to watch for any action against pupils who took part in a "strike" against their allegedly racist headmaster. Page 3.

### Jobs task force

MRS THATCHER has established a taskforce of ministers to lead Britain's small business sector to US-style success in creating jobs. Report, back page; Industry told to invest in new technology, page 19.

### Premier resigns



PRESIDENT Constantine Karamanlis (above), who nursed Greece back to democracy from military dictatorship, resigned yesterday in the face of socialist opposition. Page 6.

### Rush's treble

IAN RUSH scored a [illegible] as Liverpool [illegible] Cup semi-finals by beating Barnsley 4-0 yesterday. Report, page 24.

### Media flood

DROUGHT-STRICKEN Sudan now faces an unwelcome flood of journalists. Media, page 13; UN seeks $1.4 billion for Africa, page 9.

### NUM 'broke'

THE NUM is effectively broke after borrowing against assets seized abroad by sequestrators, its president, Mr Arthur Scargill, said yesterday. Report back page; Labour demands sackings inquiry, page 4; Letters, page 12.

### Extreme success

FRANCE'S extreme right-wing National Front party won over 8 per cent of the vote in the first round of cantonal elections today, according to computer estimates which also gave the main opposition parties almost 50 per cent. Page 6.

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## Lebanon suicide attacker rams military convoy inside border

# Revenge bomber kills 12 Israelis

From Julie Flint in Beirut

The Lebanese resistance yesterday demonstrated its vitality with a car bomb attack that killed 12 Israeli soldiers only a few hundred yards inside the international border at Metulla. At least 14 other Israelis were wounded, some critically.

It was Israel's darkest day in southern Lebanon since November 4, 1983, when a car bomb attack claimed by the Islamic Jihad took the lives of 29 Israeli soldiers at the army's headquarters in Tyre.

No Israelis have died this close to the border, well inside the enclave controlled by Israel, since 1981. "We had a very bad day today," the Prime Minister, Mr Peres, told a Jerusalem meeting of women from Bnai Brith.

An anonymous telephone caller told a Beirut radio station, the Voice of Arab Lebanon, that the attack was [illegible] its guards.

Another caller later told a Western news agency: "We affirm to our enemy, Shimon Peres, that we shall reply to his use of the iron fist against our people with the victorious and faithful fist of Hussein," the grandson of Mohammed.

Although Israel has vehemently denied any hand in the bombing, it has failed to convince the majority of Lebanese, and on Saturday the Shi'ite movement, Amal, promised a "commensurate reply."

Despite this warning, the speed of the reply must have been profoundly shocking to Israel, which is on its way out of southern Lebanon, and which last month introduced Draconian measures — including a ban on cars without passengers — precisely to limit the likelihood of car bomb attacks.

The Israeli command said yesterday's attack took place 400 yards inside the border, at a fork in the road — the place where land mines killed two Israelis exactly a month ago.

The car bomber, reported here to have been travelling alone in defiance of the Israeli ban, drove straight into a military convoy and exploded on impact with an open-sided troop truck. The truck went up in flames, killing several men instantly. Others suffered burns as the blaze spread to adjacent vehicles.

Survivors began firing in all directions — for almost half an hour, according to one report — until helicopters arrived to fly the wounded to hospitals in northern Israel.

The attack came at the end of a weekend that saw a new escalation in the trial of strength in southern Lebanon, with resistance fighters using mortars and Israeli troops responding more violently than ever before — with tanks and heavy artillery.

After an overnight attack that wounded five Israeli soldiers near the Qasmiye bridge, over the Litani River, Israeli tanks on Saturday shelled four Lebanese villages, killing a teenage boy. Troops [illegible] two villages, demolishing five homes and arresting one man.

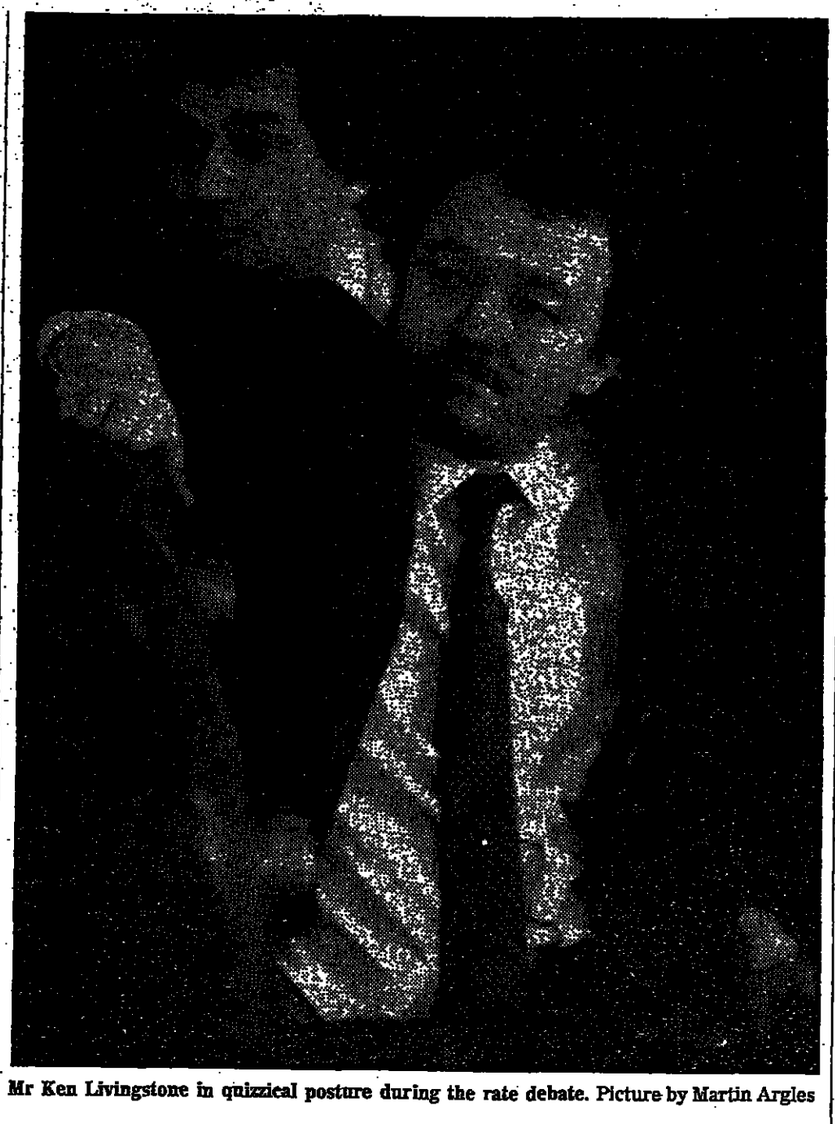
Rather than encourage the withdrawal from southern Lebanon, the latest Israeli casualties are expected to provoke new Israeli toughness and a new crackdown in the south.

In Beirut, the Bir el-Abed bombing threatens to put new muscle into Shi'ite fundamentalism, which seems to be growing stronger daily. The bomb exploded only yards from the home of the fundamentalist leader, Sheikh Mohammed Hussein Fadlallah, who was unharmed.

Saturday's funeral demonstration, attended by many thousands of angry mourners, turned quickly into an anti-American, anti-Israeli march, with shouts of "death to America," "death to Israel" and "death to Gemayel."

**HUNDREDS of people were killed or injured yesterday when Iraqi jets and missiles attacked eight towns deep inside Iran. The Iraqis also claimed to have hit a tanker near the Iranian oil terminal of Kharg Island.**

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Mr Ken Livingstone in quizzical posture during the rate debate. Picture by Martin Argles

# GLC votes for cuts as Labour group splits

By John Carvel, Local Government Correspondent

After 22 hours of debate the GLC last night passed a cuts budget and fixed a rate below the Government's legal maximum because of total disarray in the majority Labour group.

Ten members of the Labour left blocked Mr Ken Livingstone's eventual attempt to carry a budget which accepted the maximum rate set by Mr Patrick Jenkin, but contrived to offer the prospect of £23 million of spending growth.

They walked through the division lobbies with the Tories to oppose the Livingstone package because they believed it betrayed the no-rate stance agreed by the London Labour Party ecoference. The 10 included Mr Tony Banks, Labour MP for Newham NW; Mr John McDonnell, the GLC deputy leader, and Mr Dave Wetzel, the transport chairman.

Then, within seconds of the 8.7pm deadline after which councillors would have been outside the law for failure to fix a rate in time, the council passed a budget package proposed by a Labour rightwinger, Mr Barry Stead.

This cut the rate from the maximum of 36½p in the pound to just over 34p and included £11 million of spending cuts. About 15 members of the Labour right joined with the Tories and Alliance to put this budget through. Mr Livingstone voted against the proposal, alongside Mr McDonnell, with whom he had been in bitter acrimony throughout the past week.

Mr Livingstone said after the vote: "Labour will now go forward in comradeship and friendship to ensure that the pledge to conference is fulfilled and that there are no cuts in jobs and services while the majority here is a Labour one."

He pointed out that the budget which had just been passed provided £55 million less income than he had wanted. To escape cuts it would therefore be necessary to run a deficit budget. He would stay in the leadership. "I am not happy with this position but it would be too easy to throw up your hands and say 'I quit.'"

He would not, however, carry on if cuts had to be made to provide a veneer of respectability for loss of jobs or services.

Mr Livingstone's budget proposal was the fourth attempt by the majority Labour group to move a package which would have salvaged some spending growth out of the rate-capping miasma.

On Friday, Mr Livingstone had backed these estimates but voted against the legal maximum rate of 36½p in the pound

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# Shake-up of MI5 methods 'in the offing'

By Ian Aitken, Political Editor

Heavy hints were being dropped in Whitehall yesterday that there may be a shakeup in security surveillance procedures at MI5 — but that they will be the consequence of a secret report on last year's Bettaney spy fiasco rather than as a result of Ms Cathy Massiter's televised allegations of abuses.

This response to the mounting pressure, from Tory as well as Labour MPs, for some kind of watch on the watchers probably reflects the continuing embarrassment of ministers as well as officials over recent revelations.

Signs are that there is a growing awareness that something will have to be done to calm public anxiety. Ministers are deeply reluctant to be seen responding to what they regard as a gross breach of duty and trust by Ms Massiter.

There have already been suggestions that Ms Massiter's decision to reveal her reservations about MI5 procedures on Channel 4's 20/20 Vision programme was motivated by a strong personal sympathy for Mr Michael Bettaney, the MI5 agent who was gaoled last year for trying to pass secrets to the Russians.

Mr Bettaney said in his own defence that he decided to make the attempt because he was concerned about some of the methods of MI5. Now a full report on the case, drawn up by Lord Bridge and his security commission, is in the hands of the Prime Minister.

Mrs Thatcher has yet to complete her study of the report but Whitehall is confidently expecting that she and her ministerial colleagues will insist on major changes in the procedures of the counter-intelligence services, to ensure that nothing like the Bettaney case can occur again.

Any changes emerging from the Bettaney affair which was a grave humiliation for MI5 are highly unlikely to meet the demands for greater accountability emerging from the Massiter case.

There is not much evidence that ministers have any intention of meeting the demand for some kind of accountability by the security services, either through Parliament or through the Privy Council.

The clamour is likely to continue at Westminster, and yesterday the shadow home secretary, Mr Gerald Kaufman, repeated it on television. Commenting on Friday night's screening of the 20/20 Vision programme, which followed the lifting of the IBA ban on it, he called for an immediate inquiry into the allegations it contained.

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## This week

### Today

TIMBUKTU
But, said Terry Coleman to the Duke of Edinburgh, the principal species about which we were talking was man, wasn't it? 'Speak for yourself' replied the Duke in an interchange during the prince's Africa tour for the World Wildlife Fund. Page 17

TEBBITRY
By comparison with him, writes Hugo Young. Mr Heseltine looks rather like Thomas Jefferson and Mr Walker could even be Aristotle. The full frontal alter-Thatcher and his battle-plan for winning is exposed on page 12

ETHNIC MONITOR
Parliamentary questions have recently established that the Government has decreed 'ethnic monitoring' throughout the civil service. Enoch Powell examines the consequences.

TEA CEREMONY
How Lord Young found mixed blessings on his tour of China. Page 17

GLITZ
The Dickens from Detroit hits the jackpot. Arts Guardian, page 11

### Tomorrow

LABOUR PAINS
As many as four out of five youngsters go to work as well as school. But who cares for their interests? Education Guardian investigates

SKILLS FOR LIVING
Being male doesn't mean being macho. Guardian Women on boys in a non-sexist world

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FAMILY SECRETS
Sexual abuse of children is no longer the best-kept secret. Society Tomorrow examines new evidence

### Thursday

CRIMINAL CLASSES
Guardian Women seeks clues from P. D. James, the Queen of Crime



AUDIT reports of 17 health authorities show abuse of the NHS by consultants with private practice interests, Mr Michael Meacher (above), the shadow social services secretary, said yesterday.

At least 14 authorities had lost money by failing to identify private treatment.

"In any other walk of life, theft on this scale would have resulted in instant dismissal and criminal proceedings," he added.

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# Sigh of relief as talks resume

From Hella Pick in Geneva

Soviet and American negotiators are back in Geneva at last, after a 15-month gap which constituted the most serious interruption in the long series of arms control talks between the superpowers going back to the 1960s.

The world has come to regard such talks as, at best, capable of producing agreements that reduce the chances of war, and, at worst, as at least some kind of indication that relations between Washington and Moscow have not degenerated into open hostility.

So the arrival here over the weekend of the chief US negotiator, Mr Max Kampelman, his Soviet opposite number, Mr Viktor Karpov, and their respective teams, has been the signal for an international sigh of relief.

The chances of any kind of breakthrough in the talks which resume today are seen as ranging from slim to nil by most experts. The already considerable differences between the two sides — differences which led to the Soviet walkout from the then two-tier talks on strategic and intermediate range weapons in 1983 — have been further exacerbated by American determination to move ahead with space-based defensive systems.

Indeed, the Americans have elevated Star Wars into a central principle of a "new" approach to arms control — an approach which the Russians have repudiated in advance at every possible opportunity.

Mr Karpov yesterday spoke of the "truly historic goal ... of ultimately eliminating nuclear arms completely and everywhere." But the Russians yesterday also issued further warnings that the Star Wars programme was "an aggressive move and a major obstacle to progress in Geneva."

Mr Kampelman, in his arrival statement, said that the US "would spare no effort to negotiate fair and equitable agreements," but he also emphasised that "differences on nuclear issues are deep and deeply held."

Meanwhile the US Administration is turning the opening of the arms control marathon into a grand bipartisan affair, designed to win support both for the President's MX missile programme and for his dreams of space weapons.

One planeload of influential senators arrived on Friday shortly after Mr Kampelman and a second plane has brought a group from the House of Representatives.

Vice-President Bush has also contrived to be present, although his ostensible reason for coming to Geneva is to

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# Doubts cast on Murdoch paper plan

By David Hearst

Plans by Mr Rupert Murdoch, chairman of News International, to launch a second London evening newspaper later this year, were treated with scepticism by the rest of Fleet Street yesterday.

The newspaper, a tabloid called the Post, would be printed at News International's new plant in Tower Hamlets, east London, which is due to open in October. Confirming a Sunday newspaper report, Mr Murdoch would say only that the new paper could eventually become a 24-hour operation, publishing as a London evening and a national daily the next morning.

Mr Charles Wilson, deputy editor of the Times, would become the Post's editorial director, according to the report.

Mr Robert Maxwell, owner of Mirror Group Newspapers, whose own plans for a second London evening paper have gone into abeyance, reacted by accusing Mr Murdoch of being behind plans by Mr Eddie Shah, owner of the Messenger Group of freesheet newspapers, to launch a national daily.

Mr Maxwell said his own plans to launch a London evening freesheet were "continuing," but he added that his first priority was to introduce colour printing in MGN's English titles this year. He said MGN would not be rushed into launching its London evening by Mr Murdoch's announcement.

Reaction was cooler from Mr Bill Keys, general secretary of Sogat 82, who said that Mr Murdoch had as yet no agreement with the printing unions to operate the new plant in east London.

Mr Keys said: "There is no question of going on to new premises without a realistic

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# Genetic 'print' that could point the finger

By Andrew Veitch, Medical Correspondent

Scientists have discovered a method of identifying people by their genes — a genetic "fingerprint" so precise it can even tell you who your father is.

For the police, it could mark the biggest advance in detection of crime since the discovery of fingerprints in 1901. Thieves could be identified from the genes in a drop of blood, rapists from the DNA in a single sperm.

But the most important benefit could be in the detection of inherited diseases like cystic fibrosis. The method should accelerate the process of finding the genes responsible for diseases, and enable scientists to track carriers and sufferers through the generations.

The discovery has been made by Dr Alec Jeffreys and his team at Leicester University and the Medical Research Council's unit at the John Radcliffe Hospital, Oxford. They report the details in this week's edition of Nature.

Everyone carries a series of very variable (hypervariable) small segments (minisatellites) of DNA that occur all over the place on our chromosomes. You may have three copies or 30 copies of these minisatellites sitting next to each other neatly paired on your chromosomes.

With that amount of variation the permutation of combinations is so large that the odds against any two individuals having the same combination are immense. To all intents, that combination is as unique as a fingerprint.

Dr Jeffreys, with Mrs Victoria Wilson, and Dr Swee Lay Thein at Oxord, has discovered a segment of genetic material which can be used as a probe to detect these minisatellites. He explained: "we use the probe to split up the genes and generate a pattern of bands which we print on an X-ray film. This pattern is highly specific to an individual. You can tell people apart from the pattern on the film."

The team tested the technique on 14 unrelated British Caucasians. It worked: they identified each individual. It turns out that the minisatellites are inherited in a reasonably orderly fashion, approximately half each from an individual's mother and father.

So the team tested blood samples from an extended Indian Gujerati family — 54 people spanning four generations. The probe was so powerful they were able to distinguish every individual, even the children of a first-cousin marriage. And they were able to trace the fragments of DNA back from child to parent (either parent) and in turn to the grandparents.

This should provide the ultimate solution for paternity suits. But Dr Jeffreys, reader in genetics at Leicester, is more interested in the medical and forensic applications.

Markers for the genes that cause Huntington's disease (pre-senile dementia) and muscular dystrophy are already being developed. Pregnant mothers who fear their babies may be at risk will soon be able to take prenatal tests and opt for termination.

No one has yet found a marker for the genes that cause cystic fibrosis, and a host of other inherited disorders. "This discovery gives us a powerful tool for looking for these genes, it will accelerate the hunt," said Dr Jeffreys.

Other possible applications of the discovery remain confidential. Dr Jeffreys is patenting the work, which will be developed commercially through the National Research Development Corporation.

### No official backing for Tory

### MP's attack on archbishop

# Runcie reinforces demand for new strategy in cities

By Martyn Halsall and Ian Aitken

The Archbishop of Canterbury, Dr Robert Runcie, yesterday defended his latest excursion into politics, which included a call for a new strategy on inner city dereliction and criticism of government training schemes.

Dr Runcie faced criticism from some Conservative MPs last week when he compared "the darkness of disease, death and disaster" in Britain's inner cities to the tragedy of Ethiopia. "I don't think any member of the Government would deny that there is darkness in the inner cities," he said on BBC Radio 4 yesterrday.

He said he regretted that church leaders were not always able to speak easily "with those who manage power."

He added: "But on the other hand, there is a need for them, I believe, to engage in a serious and unsentimental debate about what sort of a society we are creating. Sometimes, the impression is conveyed that what matters is the bottom line of the balance sheet."

Mr Ray Whitney, the aggressively rightwing junior minister for social security, who was most critical, was in trouble again yesterday for his outspoken attack on the archbishop. Colleagues from the Prime Minister downwards seemed determined to dissociate themselves from his attack.

Speaking on Saturday in Newcastle upon Tyne, where he was ordained 35 years ago, Dr Runcie said that Britain needed "a new strategy in which local and central government together do more to recreate inner city environments on a human scale."

Improvements should include more gardens and children's play areas and better organisation of council housing repairs. Universal home ownership was still far distant he said. "In any case, self-reliance and responsibility are not virtues which can only be successfully cultivated by owners of property."

The inner cities needed long-term projects and hopes, including adequate education and training schemes, more than "just a temporary spell of sweated labour," he said.

His Commission on Urban Priority Areas, due to report this autumn, had produced a gloomy rather than hopeful picture of Tyneside, he said.

"Indeed, the situation here — of de-industrialisation, poverty, population loss and the growth of endemic, large-scale and long-term unemployment — is a microcosm of much of Britain as a whole."

The text of Mr Whitney's attack on Archbishop Runcie was circulated to Fleet Street newspapers at the weekend by Torv Central Office, printed on official Conservative Party paper.

Most of its seven closely-typed foolscap pages had nothing to do with the archbishop, but the opening paragraph of the speech, addressed appropriately to the Worcester Diocesan Synod on Saturday afternoon, sought to raise the question of whether the Church had the right to enter the political arena.

Mr Whitney declared his belief that the Church had such a right — always provided it was exercised with care.

He said: "Whether we are archbishops, bishops, clergy or laity, our contribution should be based on a proper regard for the facts — and as many of the facts as we can encompass rather than merely those which suit our purpose. I have to say that, sadly, the facts are all too often treated with scant regard in discussions on social security issues."

He went on to make it clear that he had the archbishop in mind, particularly for his remarks at the St Paul's Cathedral service last week. That, said Mr Whitney, was "generally perceived to be a deliberate attack on the government of the day."

But it was also seen as a distortion of the realities of contemporary Britain "in a way which only the most extreme of political activists would dare." It also ignored some of the fundamental elements of Christian belief, Mr Whitney added.



Ray Whitney — acting as a freelance critic





The Rev Anthony Bailey (left) and Mrs Joyce Appleby, aged 70, who were among the 81 people arrested for cutting the wire at RAF Sculthorpe, Norfolk, yesterday

Pictures by John Reardon

# 81 held as nuclear arms protest snowballs

EIGHTY-ONE people were arrested yesterday in the latest phase of the Snowball civil disobedience campaign in Norfolk, which aims to force the Government to support some form of nuclear disarmament.

The protesters, who are independent of the Campaign for Nuclear Disarmament, began their campaign in the autumn when three people cut the wire at the American nuclear bomber stand-by base at RAF Sculthorpe in Norfolk. At each action, the numbers involved treble; it has grown to nine, 27 and yesterday 81. Already 243 people are being organised for the next phase.

Yesterday, the demonstrators each cut one strand of the fence and then gave themselves up to police. Since the first cutters arrived at 6.30 am, they had to wake the police up at Fakenham police station.

The organisers of Snowball say the campaign will end if any one of three demands are met: if the Government votes for multilateral disarmament proposals at the United Nations regardless of how America votes; if it publicly encourages the US to accept freeze proposals, or if it takes a unilateral step towards a freeze or reduction in arms such as the abandonment of Trident or cruise or the public rejection of the US proposal to store chemical weapons.

At Fakenham last week, a stipendary magistrate was brought from London. The defendants were fined £60 with £36 costs. They pleaded not guilty to criminal damage, saying they had a lawful excuse under Britain's Genocide Act.

# Purple prose from a blunt bishop

By Martin Wainwright

ALTHOUGH he never spoke to an actress, at least not in the circumstances usually meant, the former Bishop of Peterborough has won a place in history because of his pithy remarks.

Four months after his retirement, his friends in the diocese have compiled an anthology of the sayings of "the rudest man in the Church of England."

Bishop Douglas Feaver described women members of the General Synod as having "seething bosoms but nothing above." China tea, he theorised, must have been invented by the SDP. A fellow member of the House of Lords was dismissed with the comment: "His mouth is for export and his head has no entrance."

The anthology, Purple Feaver, which will be published on March 15, was the idea of Mr John Kelly, the worked with the bishop as commmunications officer for the diocese. "Feaverisms" were a well-known phenomenon in Peterborough.

Mr Kelly was warned about his new bishop after the service in 1972 when the then Archbishp of Canterbury, Dr Michael Ramsay, installed Canon Feaver in office. The late Dean of Westminster, Dr Eric Abbott, took Mr Kelly on one side for a glass of sherry and murmured: "Well, boy, I do hope the Holy Spirit has worked. He'll need it, because he's the rudest man in the Church of England."

The bishop was soon in action, hissing "Silly old trout" at a Mothers' Union member who spilt lscalding tea over him (but fortunately was deaf). At a confirmation service he asked the boy candidates: "What sort of girl would you like to marry?" — adding, with a wave of his crozier at the three elderly ladies awaiting his blessing: "Not that there's much choice here tonight."

Faced with another mature confirmation recruit, whom he had never met before, the bishop pointed at her husband and asked: "Is this yours? Where did you meet him? In the blackout?" Asked for his view of another bishop's opinions during a theological debate, he replied: "I am sure there is something in his mind, but I haven't found it yet."

Apart from firm opposition to modern liturgy, which led him to tell mourners at the funeral of an enthusiast for the Alternative Service Book: "Well, as Edward now knows, the ASB is not the language of heaven," hte bishop was also well-known for leaving services at high speed.

"In any church where there was any possible shortcut to the vestry, he took it," says Mr Kelly in the book's commentary.

Bishop Feaver, now retired, said that he had no comment on the book beyond the fact that it was "light-hearted ephemeral stuff." But he wrote privately to Mr Kelly, thanking him for a "flight of fancy."

# Scottish Labour Party soothes miners

By Joan Stead, Scottish Correspondent

The Scottish Labour Party pulled itself painfully to its feet at its annual conference which ended in Perth yesterday.

Last week, it seemed as though the damage caused to the party by the miners' strike might be irreparable, but a carefully programmed conference, organised to soothe the pride of the NUM delegation resulted in a display of benign unity.

Mr Donald Dewar, the Opposition Scottish secretary, said afterwards that there had been an enormous and constructive examination of the past year and they could now go on with a sense of purpose.

No more than a carefully polite reception was given to Mr Neil Kinnock, the party leader, on Friday.

After he left, a much bigger ovation came for a 20-year-old miner, Alex Shanks, from Monktonhall colliery.

Shaking with emotion, he said: "We are going back, but we are not defeated. What we have learned during this strike can never be taken away from us."

The miners and their families had been starving and desperate and there had been lack of support from some of the TUC and not total support for an amnesty from Mr Kinnock on Friday.

Meanwhile, Scotland is to see the start of a Labour Party campaign to win back the trade union vote which went to Mrs Thatcher at the last election.

Now with only 300,000 members of which only about one-tenth are in Scotland, the Labour Party is much smaller than some pressure groups, particularly CND.

The greatest triumph of the Scottish executive was its success in taming some rebellious groups within its youth section in order to get closer links with the main body of the party.

For the executive, Mr Bill Gilbey warned that if this was not done, and if more trade union support was not gained, there was a danger that Labour might become a bankrupt party which was merely "a resting place for for purists."

The groups opposed a resolution which states that the grip of sectarian politics on the Young Socialists and the lack of campaigning by the party as a whole were directly responsible for the lack of growth by Labour's youth movement.

Mr Gilbey said: "No one in this hall is disputing the role played by the youth sections in the miners' strike. But how much greater would that role have been had we had a proper youth organisation in the Labour Party that we could be really proud of?

The resolution, finally passed by an overwhelming majority, noted that the party's youth campaigning had been fragmented and said it was vital that consistency parties and trade union branches recognised the importance of a strong and campaigning youth section. There should be an active youth section in every constituency.

# Camera may have exposed a fossil

By Martin Wainwright

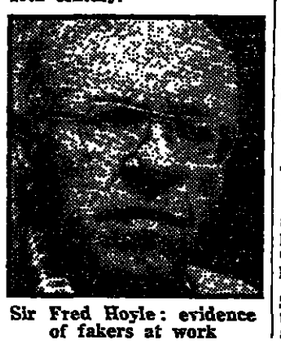
DOUBT has been cast by six scientists, among them Sir Fred Hoyle, on the bona fides of a famous fossil. Photographic examination of the stony remains of Archaeopteryx, a sort of prehistoric chicken, has suggested that Victorian fakers may have been at work.

The fossil examined by the team was found in a Bavarian quarry in 1861 and is now in the British Museum. Its scientific significance, shared by another specimen found in the same quarry in 1877, is the presence of wing and tail feathers, showing a unique transition taking place between reptile and bird.

Archaeopteryx is the only unquestionable example of this phenomenon, although the possibility of such an evolutionary stage was predicted before the 1861 discovery in a sketch by T. H. Huxley.

Sir Fred, the radio astronomer, and his colleagues, including Professor Chandra Wickramasinghe of Cardiff University, have found evidence of a layer of finer-grained limestone on the fossils, carrying the imprints of the creature's feathers. Another area of feather prints lies in a depressed section of the stone which is not matched by a raised slab on the other side of the chunk of rock which was split open to reveal the fossil.

The team's findings, which followed the use of advanced photographic methods, are reported in the current issue of the British Journal of Photography and suggest that the feather impressions may have been added in the 19th century.



Sir Fred Hoyle: evidence of fakers at work

# Nuclear waste pile will reach million tonnes within 15 years

By Paul Brown

Briain will need to dispose of one million tonnes of low level nuclear waste by the end of the century, according to the Department of Environment.

Detailed figures given to the Commons select committee on the environment show that there will also be 160,000 tons of nuclear waste described as intermediate and which is dangerous for up to 50,000 years and 4,000 tons of high level waste, dangerous for 250,000 years.

The department for the first time gave a possible timetable for the disposal of intermediate waste. The earliest practicable date for finding and bringing into operation a deep disposal facility on land is 15 years. An alternative being considered is storage for about 45 years using the time to find a disposal site, and a third choice is to get rid of the waste in off shore boreholes.

The department has accepted responsibility for disposing of nuclear waste. Its policy, set out in a 1977 white paper, is "to ensure that waste management problems are dealt with before any large nuclear programme is undertaken."

The Government and the nuclear industry which it owns is spending millions on research into waste disposal. The figures for the last three years are £25 million, £26 million, and £33.5 million.

Another problem that the industry has not solved is what to do with the Magnox power stations when they wear out. Dismantling the stations and getting rid of the radioactive contents will be a major problem in 15 years' time.

The report gives details of plans for importing nuclear waste. The Thorp complex being built at British Nuclear Fuels Ltd, at Sellafield, Cumbria, to vitrify high level nuclear waste so that it can be stored for 50 years while it cools, will import 75 per cent of the waste it deals with.

The large quantities of intermediate and low level waste thus generated will also have to be disposed of in Britain.

# Thatcher 'has declared pay war on teachers'

By Andrew Moncur, Education Staff

Mrs Thatcher has declared war on teachers over pay, Labour's education spokesman, Mr Giles Radice, claimed yesterday.

Teachers in England and Wales are to begin a wave of selective strikes this week. The unions have rejected an offer of a 4 per cent rise and a proposal for arbitration.

In a Commons reply last week, Mrs Thatcher made it clear that any extra money on pay would mean fewer teachers or other cuts in the service.

Mr Radice, in a letter to the Prime Minister, said that unless the Government acted to "make a reasonable and just settlement possible," the dispute would become a running sore.

He called on Mrs Thatcher to clarify her statements, which he said have prevented the employers from negotiating a deal involving changes in salary structure.

"In short, your statement amounted to a new hard attitude by the Government — a declaration of war on the teaching profession," he said.

In Edinburgh last night leaders of the National Union of Teachers held talks with their Scottish opposite numbers.

The Scottish teachers are also locked into a lengthy dispute with the Government, over their demand for a full pay review.

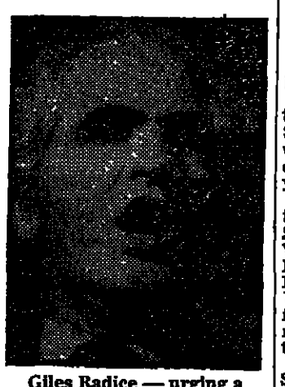
The Educational Institute of Scotland, the largest Scottish teaching union, and closely allied to the NUT, hosted the meeting, which comes at a critical time for the education service on both sides of the border.

The NUT is this week calling out about 6,000 members in 42 areas on selective three-day strikes, starting tomorrow.

It estimates that 275,000 children will be affected, with many losing lessons or days of schooling.

At the same time, the National Association of Schoolmasters/Union of Women Teachers, will hit 16 education authorities with "guerrilla" stoppages.

It will be calling out its members for varying periods, from a single lesson to half a day, and reckons that up to 300,000 pupils will feel the effects, with cancelled classes and timetable confusion.



Giles Radice — urging a just settlement

# Alliance takes step forward

By Tony Heath

The annual conference of the Welsh Liberal Party in Swansea has unanimously voted to stage a joint Alliance conference in Wales later this year.

The proposal will be put to the annual conference of the Social Democratic Party in Wales at Tenby, in Dyfed, later this month. Mr Tom Ellis, president of the SDP in Wales, who attended the conference said that he foresaw no opposition by his party to the suggestion.

Mr Ellis, a founder of the SDP and former Labour MP for Wrexham, and Mr Gwynoro Jones, the SDP's Welsh chairman, were accorded VIP treatment by the Liberals at Swansea.

Mr Jones, one time Labour MP for Carmarthen, shared the platform at a public meeting with the Liberal leader Mr David Steel.

Supporting a resolution calling for a federal structure of government in Britain with a legislative parliament for Wales, Mr Jones declared: "The politicians at Westminster don't want to discuss the issue because it affects their power. We should not allow Wales to be carved up as Neil Kinnock is proposing."

Delegates unanimously condemned the proposal to issue identity cards to people living in the Molesworth area where cruise missiles are due to be sited.

# MP accuses cardinal of helping Sinn Fein

From Gareth Parry, in Belfast

Cardinal Tomas O'Fiaich, Primate of All Ireland, was accused yesterday of being a propagandist for Sinn Fein, the IRA's political wing, after advocating a British military withdrawal from Northern Ireland.

Mr Harold McCusker, Official Unionist MP for Upper Bann, said: "These remarks echo the opinions of Gerry Adams and Sinn Fein. This is not a colonial situation and he is simply showing his commitment to reactionary and angry nationalism."

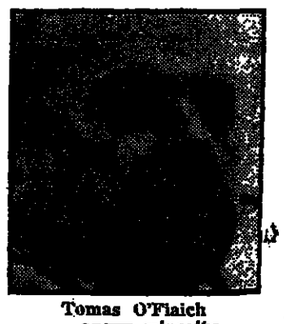
"The number of regular troops here is at its lowest level. Security is maintained by local British people."

The cardinal told a weekend press conference in Boston, Massachusetts, that Roman Catholics would outnumber Protestants within a few generations and that it was only a matter of time before Northern Ireland became part of the republic.

Cardinal O'Fiach said: "As long as partition is there you will have an opposing angry minority. As long as the military presence is there it provides a special element of divisiveness. Protestants identify with the British presence and Catholics are against it."

The OUP leader, Mr Jim Molyneux accused the cardinal of being irresponsible and "getting his facts wrong. A great number of catholics vote Unionist and the cardinal has avoided that fact. He has not done his sums properly."

Two youths appeared a a special court in Dungannon, Co. Tyrone, yesterday charged with membership of the junior wing of the IRA. Cathal Wylie, aged 19, a security worker and Paul Keogh, 21, a joiner, both of Coalisland, Co. Tyrone, were remanded in custody to appear before Belfast magistrates on March 15.



Tomas O'Fiaich — angry minority

# Immigration law 'breaks principle of innocence'

By Aileen Ballantyne

Immigration rules are directly contrary to the basic principle of British law that a person is innocent until proven guilty, the Bishop of Birmingham, the Right Reverend Hugh Montifiore said yesterday.

He was helping to launch a campaign aimed at reuniting an estimated 17,000 men legally settled here with their wives and children waiting to join them from the Indian subcontinent.

"The method of immigration examination and procedure should be turned on its head," he said. It should be accepted that a man was telling the truth about wanting his wife and children to join him not that "a person is lying unless he can prove he is not."

A Commission for Racial Equality investigation into immigration control procedures, concluded last month that Britain's immigration laws were racist in operation. The report found that between 1977 and 1983 British posts in the Indian sub-continent ruled on 50,750 applications from women seeking to join men claimed to be their husbands in the United Kingdom. A third of applications from wives and children were refused.

The Divided Families Campaign, sponsored by community relations councils, the Joint Council for the Welfare of Immigrants and law centres, wants the burden of proof shifted to the Home Office. Most rejections are because the Home Office decides that families are not related as claimed to the man legally settled in Britain.

Mr Abdur Rob said he had applied for his wife and family to join him in 1971. He had come to Britain from Bangladesh in 1963 and had worker in a spanner factory, sending for his family once he had saved enough mone.

It had taken six years for his application to be processed by the British High Commission in Dhaka. In 1977 his family was allowed to join him sons were over 18 and no but by that time his two elder longer allowed entry, so his family was permenentiy divided.

The Home Office says the number of wives and families waiting to join husbands stands at 19,000. The Home and Foreign Offices employ 42 immigration officers to deal with the applications and the average waiting time for the first interview is said to be 22 months.

Mr Alf Dubs, Opposition spokesman on race relations, He told the conference that the Labour Party was committed to employing more officers to deal with applications, to ending "racist" immigration laws and to removing the rule which means that a husband has to be able to prove that he can support his family before he can apply for them to join him.

# More vigorous police tactics feared after pit strike successes

*David Rose reports that academics, lawyers and some police officer s are concerned about changes in methods used against demonstrators*

Fears that the policing of demonstrations is becoming unnecessarily forceful in the wake of the miners' strike are being expressed by academics, lawyers and some senior officers, after a series of protests where there has been strong criticism of police tactics.

In December 1984, Thames Valley officers broke up a picket by students a All Souls College, Oxford, where the Prime Minister was due to speak. There were 35 arrests and allegations that a demonstration described by the senior officer present in a comment to the press as "peaceful" had been deliberately turned into a melée.

In February Metropolitan Police used wedge formations and horses to prevent demonstrators entering Trafalgar Square for a miners' rally. One man suffered a broken leg and four other demonstrators were injured.

Last week, the Greater Manchester force drove a wedge through students to admit the Home Secretary, Mr Leon Brittan, to the university union building. A letter to the Guardian claimed that "hundreds of policemen appeared from nowhere, without warning, and literally charged with full force at the students."

In all these cases, observers claim, the police deployed one or more of the techniques used during the miners' strike. These include Police Support Units (PSUs) — 20-strong formations under the command of two sergeants and an inspector — as well as "wedging," and advanced "snatch" arrest methods.

While most of the techniques were developed before the strike, they had never been used by so many officers for such a long period. The strike also saw the use of complex radio networks to summon reinforcements, and command structures designed to achieve a high degree of cohesion between units on the ground.

In a forthcoming paper for the Institute for the Study of Conflict, two academics from Reading University, Dr Peter Waddington, a sociologist, and Ms Patricia Leopold, a lawyer, address the questions posed by continuing the techniques of the strike in other situations.

They believe that greater familiarity and confidence with the techniques may tempt police to use them where they are unsuitable or liable to provoke, not reduce, tension.

Their belief is shared by Dr Michael Hart, a fellow in politics at Exeter College, Oxford, and a Liberal city councillor, who became closely involved with the aftermath of the All Souls demonstration and pressed unsuccessfully for an inquiry.

According to Dr Hart: "There are many demonstrations in Oxford, many of them organised by students, and it is extremely rare for there to be any arrests. On this occasion abou t 5 per cent of those demonstrating were arrested. Many of the police present came from outside the town. A demonstration is not an excuse for the suspension of civil liberties."

Lawyers involved in public order work are also alarmed. Mr James Saunders, a London solicitor, said: "It's hard to make a prognosis but the preconditions for a tougher policy seem to be there.

"It's likely that the flavour of demonstrations will in future be decided by the officer in charge — and in some cases it could become quite unpleasant. You have only to compare the experience of West and South Yorkshire to realise how important this could be."

Scotland Yard said last night that the Metropolitan Police were "genuinely interested" in the experience gained during the miners' strike but there had been no change of policy for demonstrations.

A spokesman for Manchester said that policy was constantly being scrutinised and that it was too early to say what effect the strike might have. Thames Valley said it was unable to comment.

## Oxford's fifth chess win

Oxford scored their fifth successive victory, by 5-3 in the university chess match in London on Saturday. However, Cambridge, though outgraded on every board, were at one stage in a winning position.

The match series began in 1873 and is the oldest annual fixture in the chess world. Cambridge still lead overall by 45 to 40 with 17 drawn matches.

## OBITUARY

### Soccer boss

HARRY CATTERICK, the 65-year-old former manager of Everton Football Club, collapsed and died during the team's FA Cup quarter-final against Ipswich on Saturday. During his management Everton won the League championship in 1963 and 1970, and the FA Cup in 1966. David Lacey, page 22.



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# Rebel parents guard against race 'strike' retribution

**Martin Wainwright reports on the deadlock over the Bradford head whose views have led to clashes and rival lessons**

A GROUP of parents plans to enter a school today to watch for signs of retribution after a spectacular protest by more than half the pupils.

Up to 280 children from Drummond middle school, Bradford, west Yorkshire where the roll is 90 per cent Muslim attended a "strike" school last week in protest at the allegedly racist views of their headmaster.

Mr Ray Honeyford, aged 50, saw his register fall below that of the rival school, half a mile down the hill at the Pakistan Community Centre. It was the latest in a series of walkouts and pickets at Drummond, where the parents of 238 children have applied for transfers to other schools.

Thirty qualified teachers ran a full timetable at the community centre, with computers, musical instruments and classrooms wallpapered with children's essays and paintings. Asian restaurants provided food for a free daily meal and doctors were on hand for emergencies.

Ms Jenny Woodward, a parent governor who has a daughter at Drummond, said: "There is no way that Mr Honeyford can regain the trust and confidence of parents." The Parents' Action Group, which enlisted working teachers, as well as retired, unemployed and striking ones for the school, plans to revive the project on a more permanent basis if necessary.



Ray Honeyford — "cannot regain trust"

Mr Honeyford, who has rejected severance terms from Bradford council worth £100,000, denies that he is racist and points to support from other Muslim parents. Mr Iqbal Ansari, a bus conductor with two children at Drummond, described him as "a fine man. I respect him because he looks after my children."

Other parents backed the head because of his traditionalist approach to the job, with discipline, progress by merit and "a British education" the guiding lights.

Mr Mohammed Ajeeb, a Labour councillor and the city's Lord Mayor-elect, said: "There are certainly Asian families who approve of this. Strict discipline and the old values have a strong appeal to them."

Mr Honeyford has been in trouble since 1982, two years after he arrived in Bradford, when the city embarked on wide consultation about how to meet the needs of pupils from different cultural backgrounds.

He opposed such concessions as allowing Muslim girls to wear tracksuits during physical education or tolerating the occasional absence of pupils for several months on visits to India, Bangladesh or Pakistan.

In the first of a series of articles which were to lead to the latest furore, he wrote of immigrant parents in the Times Educational Supplement in November 1982: "Their commitment to a British education was implicit in their decision to become British citizens. Maintenance and transmission of the mother culture has nothing to do with the English secular school."

Mr Honeyford fought his corner, but the council disagreed and an all-party policy supporting multi-cultural education was approved. The decision headed off an attempt by the Muslim Parents' Association to buy five council schools, including Drummond, to educate children privately.

The head, apparently embittered by some of the reaction to his views — he was called a racist despite the good atmosphere then acknowledged to exist at Drummond — showed signs of imitating the role of his opponents had chosen for him.

He submitted articles to the Salisbury Review, which publishes the views of the extreme rightwing of the Conservative Party, including calls for compulsory repatriation.

Mr Roger Scruton, the editor and reader in philosophy at London University, said: "Its contents are conservative, intellectual and designed to challenge established pieties in a way which causes offence." Mr Honeyford fitted the bill with comments like: "Cultural enrichment is the approved term for the West Indian's right to create an ear-splitting cacophony for most of the night to the detriment of his neighbour's sanity."

He caused particular offence in Bradford by a "diary of the week", published in the TES, which described his job in district commissioner terms, referring among other things to a parent "straight out of Kipling" whose English sounded like "Peter Sellers' doctor on an off day."

Quips like that were old hat in Bradford at least 20 years before Mr Honeyford took up his post and his approach suggested ignorance of the city's tradition of accepting immigrants' ways. Frederick Delius, for instance, was excused football at Bradford Grammar School in the 1870s because his German father disapproved of it.

Nine months ago, after protests from more than 200 parents that Mr Honeyford's views were reflected in his work, 10 inspectors spent a week at the school and recommended changes.

They found no evidence of serious lapses, but reported: "The situation as it has emerged must raise serious questions as to whether it will be possible for the school to continue to function effectively unless the headmaster is able to regain the trust and confidence of a significant proportion of parents."

On March 22, after various failed attempts to end the affair by early retirement or transfer, Bradford council will consider whether trust has been regained and if not, what steps should be taken. There is no majority in the Conservative group, which holds power with Alliance consent, for sacking the head, but a vote which left his future in the hands of the officers would get through.



PARENT POWER: Fathers of children who attended a breakaway school in Bradford argue their case at a press conference at the city's Pakistan Community Centre. Picture by Asadour Gazelian

# Report rejects 'blacks only' school plan

West Indians and Bangladeshis are doing less well at school than white Britons and other Asians, the government-funded Swann Report is expected to confirm this week. The inquiry is believed to have rejected suggestions that special schools for black pupils be set up within the state system.

Direct racial discrimination and social deprivation contribute to this under-achievement, while IQ is not a significant factor, suggests the report, which is to be published this week.

The Swann committee, which was not in unanimous agreement in opposing special black schools, has found it difficult to explain why most Asians do better than West Indians.

It is thought to suggest that the Asian tendency to keep a low profile may bring success in a hostile environment, while the West Indian tradition of protest and high profile has the reverse effect.

More single sex education and a genuine acceptance of multi-racialism are a better approach to solving black and Muslim grievances than special schools, it suggests.

The Swann Report contains 70 recommendations, and its 800 pages respresent five years of controversial study.

The committee was set up in 1979 by the then Labour education secretary, Mrs Shirley Williams.

Its original chairman was Mr Arthur Rampton, who resigned before an interim report in 1981. There has been a total of 10 resignations and replacements on the multi-racial committee.

Lord Swann, a former BBC chairman, replaced Mr Rampton for the second half of the committee's work.

The interim report said that many West Indian parents felt the main cause of their children's under-achievement was racism and its effect on schools.

The report upset teachers by saying that while only a small number could be said to be racist, it believed other teachers displayed signs of unintentional racism.

The interim report, which itself contained 80 recommendations, produced startling evidence of poor academic performance by West Indian children, which indicated that Asians and white pupils did between twice and six times as well as West Indian pupils at O level and six times better at A level.

It found no single cause for West Indian under-achievement in schools. Widely differing attitudes and expectations from teachers, the education system and West Indian parents led the West Indian child to face difficulties and hurdles in achieving full potential, the report said.

# BBC and accountants deny C4 comparisons

By Peter Fiddick

The BBC and Peat Marwick Mitchell, the city accountants and management consultant firm whose "value for money" report on the corporation was published last week, yesterday issued a joint denial of claims that unpublished sections of the report make unfavourable comparisons between the cost of making television drama for the BBC and that for Channel 4.

"As has already been stated, these annexes do not include any inclusions additional to the published report," a statement said. They did not make comparisons between the BBC and Channel 4 drama costs.

On Friday Mr Geoff Buck, the BBC's director of finance, wrote to the Times denying its front-page report that the wording of the management consultant's terms of reference — to consider ways of achieving economies while maintaining the range of existing services — was the BBC's work.

Mr Buck said that the terms were jointly agreed by both the BBC and the Home Office, which had requested the BBC and the Home Office, to commission the £250,000 study as part of the impending licensee decision.

In the past two months the newspaper, part of Mr Rupert Murdoch's worldwide media empire, has published five editorial articles arguing that the Corporation should be split up, the licensee system reduced to a rump and commercially viable parts of its television and radio services made available as commercial franchises.

The comparisons between the BBC's costs and those of the independent porducers commissioned by Channel 4 is to be made in continuing discussions in which they and Peat Marwick are already involved. As reported in the Guardian last Wednesday, the management team recommended such an examination and its report looked at the relative costs of drama serials.


# Lloyds Bank 1984 Results

*Extracts from the statement of Sir Jeremy Morse, Chairman, Lloyds Bank Plc, in the 1984 Report and Accounts, to be published on 4 April 1985.*

| | 1984 | 1983 |
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| Profit before taxation | £468m | £419m |
| Profit after taxation | £237m | £284m |
| Earnings per share | 98p | 119p |
| Dividends per share | 26.5p | 23.7p |
| Total assets | £44,009m | £38,432m |

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During 1984 the dollar remained strong, and over the year rose by 25% against the pound. This affected our figures in a number of ways. Despite the growth in our business, our total assets fell when expressed in dollar terms; the income from our international operations was increased in sterling terms; and our international exposure was increased in relation to our capital.

At such a time it has been most unfortunate that the tax burden on British banks has been increased and their capital strength reduced, notably by the impact on leasing of last year's UK Budget changes on capital allowances. This accounts for the disproportionate deterioration in our post-tax results. It also required us, as we announced last May, to provide from reserves £465m for deferred tax relating to leasing business undertaken in previous years.

Fortunately our capital ratios were previously strong by both British and world standards. Even so, the ratio of our shareholders' funds to total assets was brought down from 6% before the Budget to 4.7% at the end of the year. It will take time to restore this ratio to a higher level, and with this in mind our prime objective must be to improve our return on equity.

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# Women's kidney warning

By Andrew Veitch, Medical Correspondent

Women and girls are today urged not to suffer in silence when they succumb to cystitis, one of the most common of female ailments.

If infection spreads to the kidneys, it can cause permanent damage, warns the National Kidney Research Fund.

"All very young children suspected to have infection should be taken to their doctor. All women in whom attacks frequently occur, and any man who contracts urinary tract infection, should see their doctor."

Half of all women suffer cystitis at some time. It is usually caused by bacteria escaping from the bowel into the bladder causing inflammation. Symptoms include the need to urinate more frequently and with greater urgency.

Isolated attacks are unlikely to cause permanent damage, particularly if treated promptly. The danger, particularly in girls, is that a stagnant column of urine can form in the urethra, carrying the infection back up to the kidneys.

Treatment for cystitis is usually a course of antibiotics.

*Cystitus, 60p inc p&p, National Kidney Research Fund, 42 Lower Marsh, London SE1.*



SPOKES MAN : The first of 18 spokes paid for by benefactors is put into the country's largest working water wheel at Quarry Bank Mill museum, Styal, Cheshire. Donations are needed to pay for another 30 spokes in the 50-ton wheel, which was salvaged from a mill in Yorkshire. It will eventually power cotton textile machinery exhibits and the names of all the benefactors will be inscribed on the spokes. Picture by Denis Thorpe

## Scottish coal chiefs accused of 'reign of terror'

# Labour MPs to demand inquiry into pit sackings

By Jean Stead
Scottish Correspondent

A demand for an independent review of the cases of about 200 sacked miners in Scotland is to be made next week by the shadow Scottish secretary, Mr Donald Dewar.

He and other Scottish Labour MPs will press for a review at a meeting with Mr Ian MacGregor, chairman of the National Coal Board.

Mr Dewar told the Scottish Labour Party conference yesterday that the proportion sacked in Scotland was far higher than in other areas.

He said it was an "outrage" that Scottish miners were being treated in his way. Men were doubly punished, first by the courts and then by being deprived of a job.

Mr Gordon Brown, MP for Dunfermline East, with the assistance of lawyers, has prepared a dossier of the details of 70 miners sacked in the Fife coalfield and elsewhere. He said yesterday that written evidence on the sackings had been requested from the NCB and the Department of Employment by an all-party select committee.

He said the request meant the NCB would be forced to give evidence on its "dismissal policy."

There is now a strong move to bring both Mr Albert Wheeler, director of the Scottish NCB and Mr MacGregor before the committee.



Mr Donald Dewar: double punishment

Mr Brown said yesterday that some older men who had been fined £100 for picket line offences had lost up to £35,000 in redundancy money because they had been dismissed. "It is a cheap way of getting rid of people. The NCB promised redundancy money but I estimate that by sacking people in this way they are saving about £15 million.

"There is a reign of terror in the Scottish coalfield now. Forty people have been dismissed in the past few days since men started back at work and we are back to the black list situation of 1926."

Mr Brown said that two sheriffs and at least one chief constable were expressing concern at the double jeopardy faced by men with previously impeccable records.

One typical case from the dosier is Mr James Whyte, aged 22, of Perth Road, Cowdenbeath, formerly a mechanical fitter at the NCB's central workshop and a single man living with a dependent widowed mother.

He was charged at Dunfermline Sheriff's Court with obstructure of police by pushing against a police line. He pleaded guilty in February, when the case came to court, was fined £50 given three months to pay, and was then sacked by the NCB.

Mr Donald Dewar is also seeking a public inquiry into the management of the Scottish coalfield, where a number of pit closures were threatened before the strike started.

Mr Dewar said that it was "a matter of confidence" in the way the board had been running its affairs over the past two or three years. Millions of pounds had been sunk into investment underground, then machinery suddenly withdrawn with no explanation.


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# Wales claims amnesty progress

By Paul Hoyland, Welsh Correspondent

The South Wales miners' president, Mr Emlyn Williams, said at the weekend that the union was making progress in negotiations with the coal board to reinstate miners sacked during the strike.

He told a conference of lodge officials in Pontypridd, mid-Glamorgan, that there were more than 50 cases in South Wales. Each was being dealt with on its merits and it was a slow process with some taking up to three hours to assess.

The union had won reinstatement for men dismissed for minor offences involving taking coal from tips. Some have already returned to work.

The conference heard that four lodge officials at St John's colliery in Maesteg, West Glamorgan, who had been sacked for alleged intimidation of a working miner, were to be reinstated. They include Mr Ian Isaac, the lodge secretary, who is a member of the union's South Wales area executive.

Negotiations with the board, which have already lasted three days, are expected to continue for at least another week. The lodge officials accepted an interim report from Mr Williams and the conference will reconvene when talks have been completed. Delegates agreed to make no comment while negotiations were continuing.

Nine people, including two teenagers, are to be reported for alleged criminal offences following police investigations into Friday's attack on the car of a South Wales miner, Mr Paul Watson.

A piece of concrete smashed a window as Mr Watson's wife Joy, aged 42, drove away from the smokeless fuel plant near Aberdare, mid-Glamorgan, where Mr Watson, aged 38, a father of three, was the only NUM member among the 700 workforce to break the strike. Eggs and paint were thrown and the car was surrounded and kicked by protesters.

Police said six women, a man, a teenage girl and a youth aged 15, have been interviewed and will be reported for alleged offences. They are expected to appear in court later.

The Chief Constable Mr David East said that police will be on duty whenever Mr Watson arrives or leaves the works in future.

# Banks woo miners on repayment of debts

By Margaret Dibben, Money Editor

SOME miners may take up to four years to pay off the debts they have accumulated during the strike. Those who returned to work last week are being wooed by bank and building society managers to discuss their debt problems.

Many miners will not receive their first pay cheque until next Thursday or Friday but some have already had a payment on account for shifts worked before the strike started but still subject to settlement of the 1984 wages claim.

While many miners have been making at least token payments towards mortgage and personal loan commitment, some have paid nothing for nearly a year.

They will all be expected to start full repayments now they are back on the payroll, but just how quickly they will have to pay off the arrears is subject to individual arrangement.

Most can expect to spread the debt over two years but those owing most may need twice as long. The institutions are worried that loan sharks may move in if they do not contact their customers quickly and many are posting personal letters requesting an interview.

Miners have a reputation for being good payers and good savers, which explains partly why the institutions are trying so hard to help them cope with their debt problems.

The Yorkshire Bank is using the return to work as an opportunity to pitch for new customers and the Co-op Bank is offering miners a restructured package to encompass all their debts.

Citizens' Advice Bureau money counsellors say that miners and their wives may not have claimed all the benefits to which they are entitled.

The bureau warns that small creditors may swoop and demand immediate repayment of loans once the first pay cheque arrives. It advises miners to find out if they are entitled to more benefits, especially through their wives.

# Health and safety plans 'put workers at risk'

By John Ardill, Labour Correspondent

Health and safety standards at work may collapse if the Health and Safety Commission carries out its plan to withdraw from routine inspection and enforcement work, according to the Institution of Professional Civil Servants. It claims that the commission's ideas, which are presented in the Health and Safety Executive plan for 1985-86, due to be published today, are unworkable.

The institution, which represents the HSE's inspectors, says that the plan suggests that the HSE's role should be restricted to setting standards and issuing guidance, with intervention limited to "high-risk, high technology" industries. Day-to-day inspection and enforcement would be transferred to local authorities, insurance companies and self-policing.

This would make it impossible to improve or maintain standards, according to the institution which says active enforcement is essential.

Mr John Howard, IPCS officer responsible for the HSE staff, said that economic pressures and staff reductions were leading many employers to cut corners and evade legal responsibilities. Deaths and major injuries were rising in manufacturing.

The IPSC and other civil service unions opposed to the proposals say that local authorities are already overburdened, insurance companies will not want to lose business by insisting on improvements or imposing penalties, and self-policing would be open to "massive abuse." On the criteria set out by the HSE, Union Carbide, the firm involved in 2,000 deaths in the Indian town of Bhopal, would qualify for self-regulation.

● The white collar union, Apex, claims in a report today that it has evidence that working with visual display units presents health hazards.

It says that 64 per cent of those surveyed in London and the Home Counties complained that unsuitable lighting led to headaches from using VDUs. There were also complaints about sore or tired eyes, noise, neck and backaches caused by unsuitable furniture, and upsets in domestic life from the stress involved.



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# SPD is set for victory in poll

From Anna Tomforde in Bonn

West Germany's opposition Social Democrats (SPD) looked set to win an absolute majority and oust the ruling centre-right coalition in elections yesterday to the Saarland state government.

ARD television, citing computer projections, said that the SPD leader, Mr Oskar Lafontaine, was likely to win 26 of the 51 seats in the state assembly to form the state's first SPD administration.

The projections, usually reliable, gave the SPD 48.4 per cent of votes against 37.6 per cent for Chancellor Kohl's Christian Democrats (CDU) and 10.4 per cent for their Free Democrat (FDP) partners.

The radical Greens were given 2.6 per cent of the vote, well below the 5 per cent needed under electoral law for seats in the state assembly.

The projections showed major losses for the CDU, down 6.8 points from 1980, but unexpected gains of 3.4 points for the FDP. The SPD won 45.4 per cent of votes at the last election.

Mr Lafontaine's victory is likely to have implications for the SPD at national level, underlining the popularity of a local leader who has long stood for anti-nuclear and anti-Nato policies.

In an apparent attempt to prevent the SPD from moving further to the left, and to correct the image that the party is wooing the radical Greens, the party's leader, Mr Willy Brandt, has recently invited the CDU to define "vital political areas" in which the two main parties could cooperate. He mentioned the environment, unemployment, and foreign policy.

But the Christian Democrats hold on to power in West Berlin with the help of their coalition partners, the Free Democrats.

The Social Democratic candidate for West Berlin, mayor Mr Hans Apfl, conceded defeat to the governing CDU mayor, Mr Eberhard Diepgen, in a television interview 90 minutes after the polls closed.

With 90 of West Berlin's 200 districts in, the Christian Democrats had 46.9 per cent, the Social Democrats 33 per cent, the Alternative List (Greens) 10.8 per cent, and the Free Democrats 7 per cent.

Some six million Germans went to the polls yesterday in state and municipal elections, including local elections in Hesse.

● West German authorities and RAF police were working on the theory yesterday that shots fired at the car of Air Marshal Sir Patrick Hine, the RAF Commander in Chief in Germany, could have been a joke.

Sir Patrick yesterday described the incident as a "rather unprofessional attempt." He was being driven on Saturday in an official car to an exercise near RAF headquarters in Monchengladbach when three shots were fired from an overtaking vehicle, believed to be carrying four men.

But the car was not hit and police said they found no strike marks on the road, suggesting that the attackers used blanks.

# Sound and fury over move to freeze farm cash

From Derek Brown in Brussels

OVER the next couple of days, a great squealing and shrieking will be heard here. It is the distinctive sound of the European farmer in distress, amplified by sections of the EEC Council of Agriculture Ministers.

The ministers are considering, today and tomorrow, proposals from the EEC Commission that will effectively freeze the overall subsidy paid to the Community's 8 million farmers. The proposals are worth about £12 billion, a sum dismissed by the farm lobby as "totally inadequate," "a deliberate provocation," and even "a declaration of war."

The ministers are required by the Treaty of Rome to fix a final price package for 1985-86 by April 1. Even if they achieve that deadline they will not do it this week. Rather, there will be a mighty torrent of rhetoric for and against the price pegging package.

The posturing will be crucially important to the financially embattled Community. At stake is not just the future shape of the Common Agricultural Policy (CAP), but the political direction of the Community itself.

The CAP is the only fully-fledged, credible vehicle of joint European policy making. It has made the Community all ut self-sufficient in food and a mighty force in world farm trading, proving in one sector at least that Europe can work as a unit.

The CAP is no about to become a victim of its own success. Europe is embarrassed by the surpluses it has produced, financially hard up, and buffeted by pressures unimagined when the farm revolution was launched.

For two years or more, the 10 governments have pledged themselves to budgetary discipline, to developing of new joint policies, to regenerating industry, promoting technology, and most urgently attacking unemployment. All of which oblige them to stop hurling cash at the CAP.

On January 31 the Commission proposed a token increase in guaranteed prices of just 0.1 per cent.

Cereal farmers, concentrated in Northern Europe, are the main target, having turned out some 145 million tonnes last year, about 30 per cent more than consumption. The Commission proposes price cuts in the sector of between 3.6 and 4.5 per cent. In the southern member states, citrus fruit growers, having hugely exceeded demand, are to be hit with a price cut of 6 per cent.

Meat prices are to be frozen and oilseed farmers are to suffer a 3.6 per cent cut. Milk producers fare slightly better, with a 1.5 per cent price rise, but that is but a token reward for the cutbacks in production arising from the quota system introduced last year.

The EEC-wide farm lobby group COPA condemned the price package as "totally unacceptable." The British NFU said the package was "totally inadequate," the French FNSEA suggested that the entire CAP would have to be renegotiated, and the European parliament aware of rural votes, spluttered and raged.

On Wednesday this week, after the ministers have had their turn, the parliament will again debate farm prices, and will almost certainly call for another handsome rise.

Mr Michael Jopling, the UK agriculture minister and the man British farmers love to hate, will lose a few more friends by arguing that the price freeze is only a start. He will, of course, add that those subsidies particularly valuable to Britain, like the variable beef premium which holds down shop prices, should stay.

The debate is also certain to feature strident demands from Greece and Italy for a shift in CAP emphasis from the cosseted north to the poorer Mediterranean countries.

In the unlovely jargon of the Community, integrated Mediterranean programmes (IMPS) will be under even more urgent discussion this week than farm prices. The farm ministers — and a parallel meeting today of finance ministers — have to agree a package of structural aid to farmers, aimed at land improvement, income protection, employment (and in the case of the UK, conservation measures), amounting probably to £3.25 billion over the next five years. This package will include at least a small element of the IMPS programme, for which Greece has demanded up to £4.5 billion.

The Italian presidency of the Community has signalled that after the sound and fury of this week's meeting, the ministers should expect to get down to serious work on a price settlement in the last week of the month. They meet again on March 25, and continue if necessary until the eve of the next EEC summit, which starts on March 29.

That summit has, among its more urgent tasks, to consider how to bridge the 1985 budgetary gap of £2 billion. Failure to freeze farm prices will drive the Community deeper into the financial mire. Agreement to freeze them could, at worst, encourage some governments to replace EEC aid with national aid. And that would effectively spell the end of the CAP.

# Writers lament sale of journal

From Michael White in Washington

Amid tears and recriminations, the New Yorker magazine, a fastidious bastion of fine writing and highly distinctive cartooning for more than 60 years, is to be sold for $142 million over the heads of its editorial team.

While the New Yorker joins the $2.7 billion magazine empire of Mr Samuel Newhouse, jnr, who already owns such titles as Vogue and Vanity Fair as well as the Random House publishing company, the threat to its Manhattan neighbour, Village Voice, has receded. An attempt to buy it from Mr Rupert Murdoch has been abandoned.

The drama at the New Yorker, which is part of a wider shake-up in the US magazine field, started in November when Mr Newhouse acquired 17 per cent of the company. It ended at the weekend with a tearful statement to staff by its 77-year-old chief editor, Mr William Shawn, who is almost as legendary a figure in New York literary circles as his only predecessor, the late Harold Ross, who first published such writers as John O'Hara and James Thurber.

Mr Shawn told staff: "We were not asked for our approval and we did not give our approval." Nor were editorial staff consulted during the board's negotiations which have culminated in what analysts here seem to regard as a generous $200-a-share deal given the New Yorker's static advertising revenue and 500,000 circulation in recent years. Early in November shares were trading at around $130.

Mr Newhouse has promised complete editorial independence and has a respectable track record. But the magazine's writers, who enjoy extraordinary freedom in crafting their fiction and thei news reporting ing essays, are sufficiently alarmed to have sought legal advice on the board's deal which is still to be ratified by kev shareholders.

Meanwhile, Village Voice has escaped attempts to buy it for a reported $35 million.

Behind the two attempts to buy Village Voice were Mr Howard Blum, a sometime contributor and aspiring novelist, and Mr Dan Wolf, who founded the magazine in 1955, and sold it in the mid 70s.

Mr Murdoch's spokesman confirmed that the Wolf bid had been taken seriously. What alarmed the Voice was that Mr Wolf is now an unpaid special adviser and confidant to Mr Ed Koch, Mayor of New York, who has been quoted as describing it as "a porno rag."

## Crucial test for government in French local elections

# Le Pen puts rightist vote in doubt

From Campbell Page in Paris

The French voted yesterday in local council elections seen as a nationally important test of strength for both the ruling Socialists and the extreme rightwing National Front.

The elections, usually dominated by local issues, have been thrown into the national spotlight by the rise of the National Front leader, Mr Jean-Marie Le Pen.

Politicians are naturally careful not to offend local sensibilites by putting the election in a purely national context, but, as Mr Jacques Chaban-Delmas, a former Gaullist prime minister, said recently: "What is at stake in the next few days is 1986."

Next year, President Mitterrand, with two years of his mandate unexpired, will discover whether he had to live with a National Assembly dominated by the opposition parties, the RPR and the UDF.

Although the Socialists are hoping to benefit from a sympathetic shift in electoral opinion, as voters appreciate the soundness of their revised policies, an opinion poll taken in the second half of February is not encouraging. Some 56 per cent of the respondents thought the voters should use the local elections to show their disapproval of the Government, while 29 per cent thought they should show their support for President Mitterrand.

In the same batch of local or cantonal elections six years ago, the Socialists won 27 per cent of the poll. In the other batch of local elections three years later, they climbed to almost 30 per cent, but fell back to 21 per cent in last year's European elections.

In the same period, the Communists, who withdrew their ministers from the Government last year and denounced their former Socialist partners at their congress last month, declined from 22.5 per cent to 11.2 per cent of the vote.

Since the elections will stretch to a second round on March 17 wherever a candidate fails to win an absolute majority in the first round, it will be important to see whether the Communists withdraw from the second round to give a more successful Socialist candidate a clear run. So far, the Communist leader, Mr Marchais, has remained silent.

The main opposition paties, the neo-Gaullist RPR and Mr Giscard d'Estaing's UDF, have no such problems. They are either fielding joint candidates or have agreed that the less successful candidate from either party should withdraw before the second round.

They problem comes from Mr Le Pen. After a notable success with 11 per cent of the vote in last year's European elections, he is putting up candidates in almost 80 per cent of the departments.

He could easily bite into the vote of the traditional right in the first round. The national leadership of the RPR and UDF has come out against helping Mr Le Pen when his candidate wins the first round, but this attitude is not always shared at the local level.

Success in the electoral battle between Government and Opposition will be underlined by any shifts in control of departmental councils. At present, 36 are headed by the left and 59 by the Opposition.

The Interior Ministry said that early voting for the 1,950 departmental council seats at stake was slightly lower than in 1982, when 32 per cent did not vote, but higher than in 1979.

The Prime Minister, Mr Fabius, has said that the election could be difficult for the Socialists, and last week called on voters to turn their backs on the extreme rightwing.

"I call on everyone to go beyond traditional political divisions and build the largest possible unity to show that racism will not win in rance," Mr Fabius told a political rally.



The Greek Prime Minister, Mr Andreas Papandreou (left) with Mr Stathis Alexandris (centre), former Minister of Justice, and Mr Christos Sartzetakis in Athens at the weekend

# Greek President resigns

From George Coats in Athens

President Constantine Karamanlis, of Greece, who nursed the country back to democracy from military dictatorship, resigned yesterday after the ruling Socialists decided not to back him for a further term.

The resignation was announced in a statement by the President's office.

Mr Karamanlis, aged 78, had said that he would not stand for a further term as President after the Pasok (Socialist) party of Mr Papandreou chose a candidate of its own to oppose him.

Mr Karamanlis, who is pro-Western, became conservative prime minister in 1974 and nursed the country back to democracy following seven years of military rule.

He became President in 1980, one year before the Socialists swept to power amid anti-Western rhetoric. Parliament is due to choose a new President on Friday to serve a five-year term.

According to the constitution, the Speaker, Mr Yiannis Aleuras, a deputy for Mr Papandreou's party, takes over as interim president.

Mr Papandreou has nominated a Supreme Court judge as his party's presidential candidate.

Mr Papandreou's choice for President is Judge Christos Sartzetakis. Pasok sources had said he was likely to win in the 300-seat Parliament, where the Socialists control 165 seats.

The resignation followed the decision by the central committee of the Pasok party not to back Mr Karamanlis for a second five-year term as President.

The move brings to an end the half a century long political career of Mr Karamanlis. There was an element of bitterness in the tone of his statement, not only because of the way in which Mr Papandreou, his political adversary for 20 years, has shown him the door, but also in Mr Papandreou's choice of successor.

Mr Sartzetakis was the investigating magistrate in the case of the killing in 1963 of a leftwing deputy who uncovered the links between the Greek right, then lead by Mr Karamanlis as prime minister, and a criminal underworld, despite considerable pressure for a coverup. The incident, immortalised in the film Z, has been resurrected by the Greek press as a first draft of Mr Karamanlis's political epitaph.

But Mr Papandreou's decision is not motivated by a desire to settle old scores. In essence it was a move to remove what he feels was a constraint on the Government's ability to carry out the changes it has a mandate to carry out.

# Spain puts offer for EEC place

From Jane Walker in Madrid

Spain has offered France valuable recompense for a favourable outcome to Spain's application for EEC membership at this month's foreign ministers meeting in Brussels.

The Prime Minister, Mr Felipe Gonzalez, said after visiting President Mitterrand and the French Prime Minister, Mr Laurent Fablus, in Paris that Spain was willing to make some sacrifices to join the Community, but was not prepared to sign a blank cheque merely to gain membership.

He warned that non-admission would have negative repercussions at home. "A rejection of Spain's application would cause very serious problems," he said.

Mr Gonzalez reported that he had returned to Madrid with the impression that "the French Government appears anxious that negotiations should conclude within the set timetable. He said his government had no intention of using Spain's continued Nato membership as a bargaining point, but warned that failure to enter the EEC could produce "an isolationist reaction which would be negative to continued Nato membership."

It is understood that one of the offers made to France by Mr Gonzalez concerned the possible acceptance of the European airbus consortium's proposal for the renewal of the Iberia airline fleet.

Many of Iberia's plans, particularly its DC-9 airliners, ar nearing the end of their useful life, and the competition is heating up for this valuable contract.

Last week, a team from London demonstrated the British Aerospace 146-300 to senior Iberia and other Spanish officials, and offered valuable offset deals if its offer was accepted. Other applications have been received from Boeing, McDonald Douglas and Fokker.

# Walesa faces travel curbs

Warsaw: A prosecutor imposed travel restrictions on the Solidarity leader, Mr Lech Walesa, and police detained activists of an anti-Soviet group at the weekend in a fresh crackdown on opposition by the Government.

Mr Walesa, summoned for questioning in Gdansk as a result of his call for a general strike by supporters of the banned free trade union last month, was warned not to leave the Baltic port without official permission.

The official PAP news agency said that members of the political council of the nationalistic Confederation of Independent Poland (KPN) were rounded up by security police on Saturday while they held a meeting in Warsaw.

The wife of the KPN chairman, Mrs Leszek Moczulski, who was gaoled during the Solidarity upheaval for attempting to topple Communist rule, said he was among about 10 members of the organisation who were detained.

Mr Walesa told reporters he refused to reply to questions when he answered a summons on Saturday from the prosecutors' office.

Mr Walesa said the restriction was "a technicality since I am watched 24 hours a day. I am not planning to go anywhere, but if I do, I shall probably not inform them. They have no problems knowing my whereabouts."

Mr Walesa and the underground leadership (TKK) called the strike for February 28, but cancelled it after the Government agreed to reconsider the price rise proposals, officially in response to criticism by Poland's new legal trade unions.

The TKK statement, issued during a press conference held by Mr Walesa after his session with the prosecutor, claimed a victory for Solidarity's strike threat in the price confrontation with the authorities.

The government decided to phase in rises adding 3 per cent to the cost of living by the end of June instead of imposing them in a package at the start of March.

The TKK said however that wage rises to compensate for the increases were inadequate and added: "If our demand for full compensation is not met by the end of April, the union will decide whether to carry out a national strike in June." — Reuter.

# Strike may block cities

La Paz: Militant peasants supporting the general strike threatened at the weekend to block all roads leading into the cities. The army said it would disperse them if they tried.

Negotiations between leaders of the Bolivian Labour Confederation and the cabinet failed to end the strike that has paralysed production since Thursday. Bread has disappeared from supermarket shelves and other food has become scarce.

Peasant leaders said they would begin their blockade of the cities today

The strike was called to support a walk-out by Bolivia's miners.

The strike is also a response to harsh economic measures introduced last month to control inflation, which economists said reached 2,700 per cent last year, and to meet terms set by the International Monetary Fund.—AP.

# No to more time off

Bern: Swiss voters, who have twice come out against shortening their working week — the longest in the industrialised West — yesterday rejected a leftwing proposal seeking a longer holiday for 700,000 workers.

Unofficial results of a national referendum showed a two-to-one majority opposed to a draft amendment to the federal constitution that would have given all workers above the age of 40 a minimum of five weeks paid holiday.

Sponsors of the proposal, the Social Democratic Party and the Trade Union Federation, said it would offer a better protection for the health of workers "whose job is becoming more and more hectic and monotonous."

They also argued that it would bring Swiss norms more into line with conditions in other European countries.

The Federal Executive, which includes two Social Democratic ministers, had urged voters to reject the proposal, warning that it would be counterproductive, as employers were likely to become more reluctant to hire older workers.

Nine years ago, a proposal that would have introduced the 40-hour week in Switzerland was defeated, and the first such initiative, which had called for a 44-hour week, was rejected in 1955.

# Eight pairs in Plan

Madrid: At least eight new couples paired off at the weekend fiesta organised by bachelors in search of wives in the Spanish Pyrenees village of Plan.

"Eight couples came to me and asked me to consecrate a big bouquet of flowers at mass in honour of their new-found love," said Fr Jacinto Brallans, the local priest. None have set a specific date for a wedding.

The three-day fiesta was the result of an advertisement placed in regional newspapers by some of the 40 bachelors of Plan, and attracted about 120 women. — AP.


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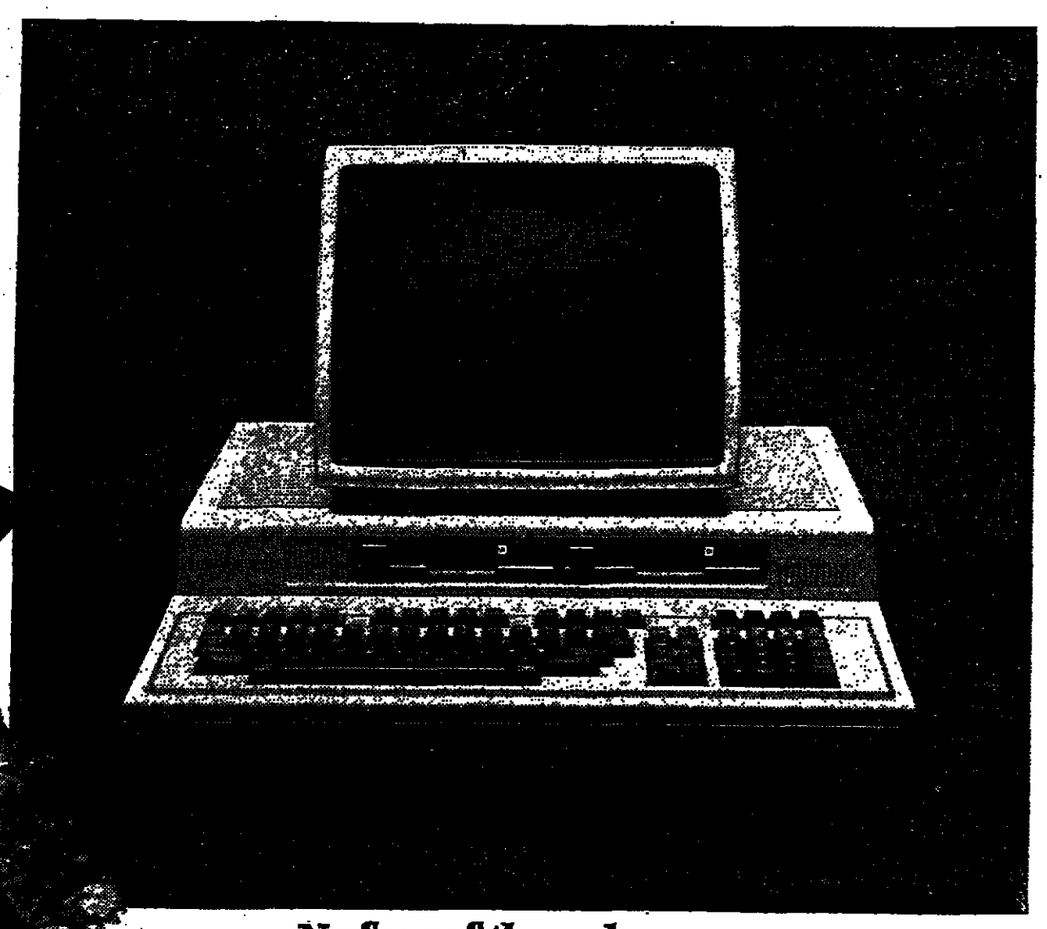



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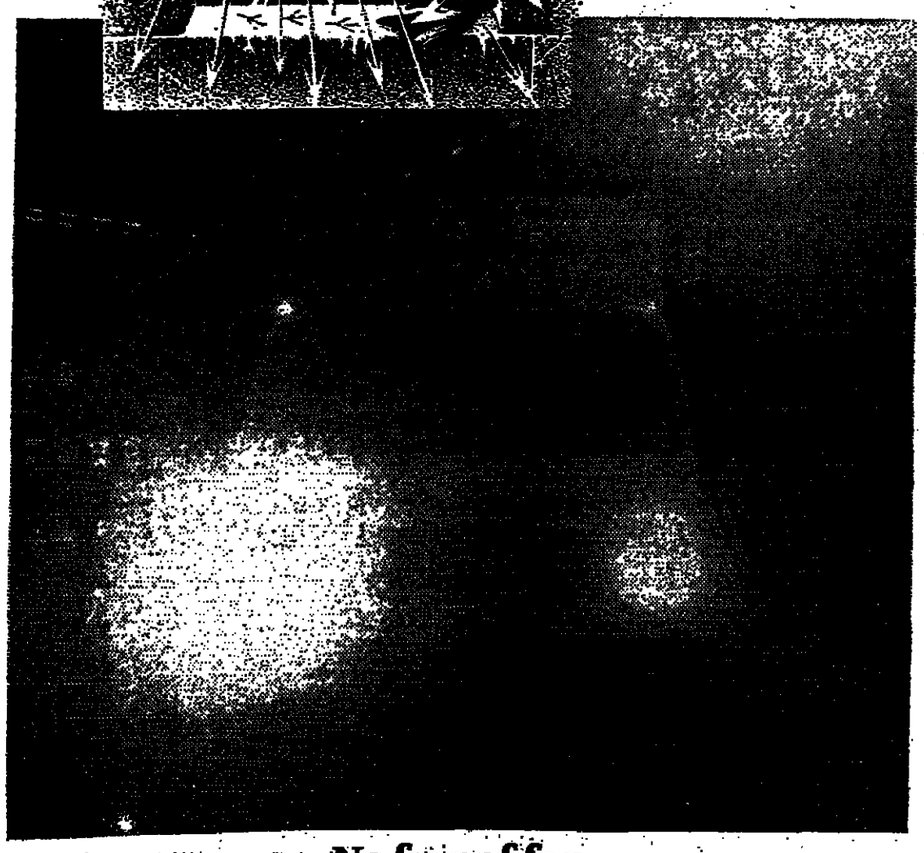



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### Khomeini prepared to inflict 'the final blow'

# Hundreds killed in new Iraq shelling of Iran towns

From David Hirst in Kuwait

Hundreds more people were killed and wounded yesterday as Iraqi planes and missiles struck at targets deep inside Iran on the sixth day of the latest round on the Gulf war.

Ayatollah Khomeini pledged that the attacks would have no effect on Irans determination to dcal "the final blow" against President Saddam Hussein. His Prime Minister, Mr Mussein Mousavi, declared that Iran was ready to fight for another 20 years.

Iraq said that its warplanes hit two cities in Iran and attacked a naval target in the Gulf in nearly 300 sorties yesterday, as Iran continued shelling the southern Iraqi port of Basra.

A military communiqué said that Iraqi planes hit at Iranian targets and troop concentrations all over the 735 miles Gulf war front, and all returned safely to base.

Iraqi jets twice raided Isfahan, Iran's ancient royal seat, 250 miles from the border — the deepest raids yet in the current upsurge of attacks — and Tabriz in the north-west Azerbaijan province, the communiqué said.

The communiqué said that four Iranian jets had approached the northern Iraqi town of Margasur, 30 miles from the border, but were driven off by anti-aircraft fire.

In a series of "provisional" reports during the day, the official Iranian news agency, IRNA, said that enemy planes and missiles hit eight towns, including Isfahan, at least 250 miles from the frontier with Iraq.

In air raids on the towns of Marivan and Baneh in the northern province of Kurdestan 120 people were killed and 300 wounded. Then ground-to-ground missiles struck at the towns of Andimeshk and Ramhormuz in the southern oil-producing province of Khuzistan. First official reports said that 10 people were killed and "hundreds" wounded.

Later, planes struck at the towns of Salehabad and Nahavand, 60 and 130 miles respectively from the frontier in the central sector. A large, but unspecified number of people were killed or wounded. Asbadan, a largely deserted town on the Shatt al-Arab estuary, was the target of three air raids as well as continuing artillery bombardment.

In the raid on Isfahan, 15 people were wounded by air-to-surface missiles. Isfahan, where many foreign technicians, including Britons, live, was not included on the list of 30 towns which Iraq had earlier threatened to attack.

In the continuing tanker war, an Iraqi military spokesman said that Iraqi planes had "dealt a direct and effective blow against a large maritime target near Kharg Island." This is the 37th ship Iraq claims to have hit this year. The strike has not been independently confirmed.

Iran yesterday claimed that its aircraft struck, among other things, a refinery and a barracks near Khanaqin, on the frontier 80 miles north east of Baghdad. The raid inflicted heavy losses and the refinery was set on fire.

The Iranian raids, said IRNA, were in retaliation for earlier Iraqi attacks, which by Saturday night were said to have killed 309 people and wounded about a thousand.

Iraq has made no mention of the Iranian air raids—which appear to be the first on such a scale by the depleted Iranian air force for several months.

But, according to the Iraqi news agency, the southern port of Basra came "under continuous heavy shelling from eight on Saturday evening to ten on Sunday morning." The Baghdad newspaper Al-Jumhuriyah said that a number of people, including students, had been killed in Basra on Saturday, with 150 shells falling on the city in the course of an hour.



The Iraqi raid on the city of Khorramabad at the weekend in which 100 people died




## Beirut told to hurry

Beirut: The Syrian Vice-President, Mr Abdel-Halim Khaddam, meeting rival Lebanese leaders for talks, has said that he wants a speedy settlement on Lebanese political reforms, political sources said.

Few other details emerged from discussions late into the night between Mr Khaddam, President Gemayel, the Prime Minister, Mr Karami, and the Druze and Shi'ite Muslim ministers, Mr Jumblatt and Mr Berri.

Mr Jumblat and Mr Berri have been boycotting Cabinet meetings to demand implementation of political reforms to give Lebanon's Muslim majority a greater share in government.

# PLO urged to nominate moderates for US talks

From Ian Black in Cairo

Egypt and Jordan are urging the PLO to be flexible and nominate moderate Palestinian leaders to represent it in talks with the US, top allow President Mubarak's recent proposals for Middle east peace negotiations to gather momentum.

This is one of the points that the Egyptian leader, who arrived in the US on Saturday, will be making when he meets President Reagan in Washington tomorrow, in his effort to convince the US of the serious nature of the Arab initiative.

President Mubarack said in a newspaper interview two weeks ago that a Jordanian/Palestinian delegation shuld begin a dialogue with the US, and then with Israel at a later stage.

Egyptian officials now say privately, however, that if the new moves are to bear fruit, then the PLO leader, Mr Yasser Arafat, will have to give a mandate to Palestinians who are not directly linked to or automatically identified with the guerrilla organisation.

"If the Palestinians want to move the initiative forward they will have to have some of the traditional leaders to represent them," one senior offical said here yesterday.

Both Israel and the US refuse to deal with the PLO until it ceases its armed struggle and recognises Israel's right to exist. Egypt and Jordan are therefore using a wider definition of what constitutes the PLO than the guerrilla organisation itself.

Sources here and in Amman say that the best candidates for the job would be Palestinian leaders living in the occupied West Bank and Gaza strip, and academics of Palestinian origin with American citizenship. Israel has indicated that it might accept an arrangement of this kind.

President Mubarak has decribed the Amman pact between King Hussein of Jordan and Mr Arafat as a "golden opportunity" which for the first time ever commits the Palestinians to the principle of land exchange for peace.

## Moscow signals mixed

From Martin Walker in Moscow

The new French Foreign Minister, Mr Roland Dumas, arrived in Moscow yesterday, the last western statesman to hold direct talks with the Soviet Foreign Minister, Mr Andrei Gromyko, before the second round of US-Soviet talks begins in Geneva tomorrow.

In the last two weeks, Mr Gromyko has paid formal visits to Rome and Madrid and talked with the French and West German foreign ministers in Moscow. Another Politburo member, Mr Vladimir Shcherbitsky, has held talks with President Reagan in Washington.

Each of these meetings has been used by the Soviet side as a platform to stress their hostility to the American Star Wars research programme. But to the surprise of some Western diplomats in Moscow, Mr Gromyko seems to have dropped his traditional policy of being warm to the Western European powers and frosty to the Americans.

The Italians and Germans, two of the European countries deploying the new American medium range missiles and backing the Star Wars research project, were treated with distinct curtness. Some American diplomats in Moscow yesterday were optimistic that this meant that the Kremlin had finally accepted that the Nato powers were united on these two issues.

## US team ready to be flexible

From Michael White in Geneva

The White House has announced that its arms talks team has gone to Geneva with an unprecedented degree of flexibility permitted them by President Reagan except in the Administration's determination to pursue its Strategic Defence Initiative (SDI) research programme — Star Wars.

There persists some strong hope in official circles that this time the Russians may be willing to make progress at the strategic arms level now that the US's own modernisation programme has restored the incentive.

But the official mood varies, at one moment cautiously hopeful, at the next warning that at best Geneva will be a long haul. In particular, attempts are made to dampen down expectations arising from the President's own rhetoric the non-nuclear defensive strategies in space — the Star Wars nickname — can lead to real nuclear disarmament.

In a gloomy editorial yesterday, the New York Times complained that limited arms control had depended on a shared concept of stability between the superpowers, albeit one resting on what amounted to a "suicide pact." But even this was being undermined both by the research and deployments on both sides.

With neither side willing to accept an overwhelming offensive or defensive capacity in the hands of its opponents "either everything is negotiable or nothing is," the paper said. A Washington Post article emphasised how far the two sides had drifted, not just on weapons and numbers but upon the basic ground rules.

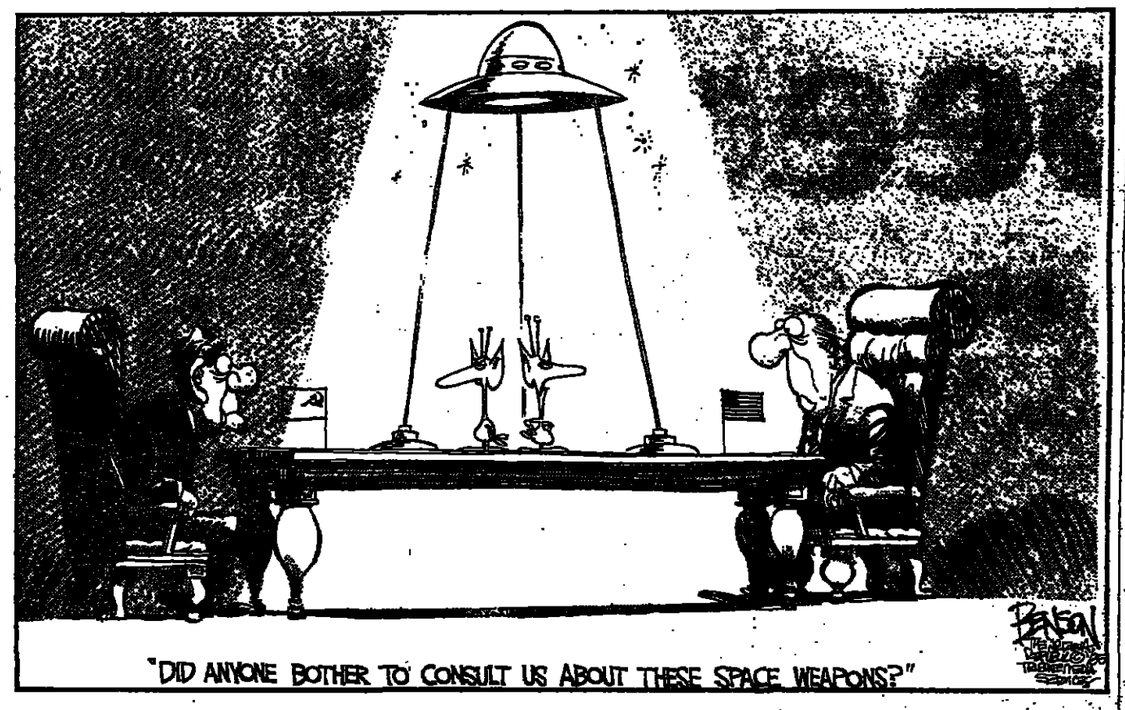
Yet such an experienced arms negotiator as Mr Paul Nitze was able to appear on one of the local equivalents of Weekend World yesterday and sound positive. Mr Nitze, a presidential confidente for 30 years, said that the Russians had promised never to return to the strategic or intermediate missiles talks because of the cruise-Pershing deployment row. But were now back in new talks. It was "certainly not impossible" that sensible agreement could be reached.

On Star Wars he stressed there was no question of negotiating the research. But should it prove feasible negotiation on a transitional phase towards a defence-orientated strategy would follow. As for the third phase, the elimination of nuclear weapons, he recalled that such a policy had been Mr Khruschev's ambition back in 1959.

"In those days it was merely a propaganda goal because no one knew how to get from here to there. Today, if SDI works, we think thee rs a way in which we can.

With the scientific and strategic debate about Star Wars still raging fiercely, the President has not let up in his attempts to swing Congress behind his latest budgets demands for more MX missiles in the name of national unity before Geneva.

MX is part of the strategic weapons modernisation, though arguably a less important one than the Trident submarine/missile programme or the B-bomber.




# Genesis of Geneva's fresh start

From Heila Pick in Geneva

WHEN US and Soviet arms control negotiators shake hands in Geneva tomorrow morning it will be the first time since the collapse of superpower arms negotiations in November 1983.

That was when the Russians carried out their warnings to break off the two-year-old INF negotiations to limit intermediate-range nuclear missiles in Europe, as a protest against the first deployments of cruise and Pershing II missiles in Britain and West Germany. Shortly afterwards the Russians reinforced their protest by announcing that they would not resume the other major Geneva arms talks, the START negotiations to reduce the superpowers' strategic arsenals.

The Soviet Union also took retaliatory measures, including the stationing of nuclear missiles in East Germany and Czechoslovakia. For most of last year, the Kremlin insisted on two conditions before it would even consider a resumption of nuclear arms control talks. Nato would not only have to remove all cruise and Pershing II missiles already stationed in Western Europe, but should abandon altogether its plan to station 572 intermediate-range nuclear missiles there as part of its effort to counter Soviet SS20 missiles targeted on the European members of Nato.

Despite hesitation in the Netherlands and Belgium, both of which have yet to take their final decisions on the deployment of cruise missiles, Nato stood firm against the Soviet campaign to kill the Nato Euromissile modernisation plan.

Last year there was a policy review in the Kremlin. There was one false start, when the Russians proposed new negotiations to prevent the militarisation of space, and suggested a first meeting in Vienna last September. The US was reluctant, a ndcountered by insisting that space weapons could not be tackled in isoaltion without also again negotiating about offensive nuclear weapons. The initiative lapsed into oblivion.

Then, late in September, when it became obvious to the Russians that President Reagan would be re-elected, Mr Andrei Gromyko, the Soviet foreign minister, went first to the UN General Assembly, and then held long meetings in Washington with President Reagan and his Secretary of State, Mr George Shultz.

That proved to be the genesis of the "new" talks which were agreed in January during the meeting in Geneva between Mr Shultz and Mr Gromyko.

On that occasion the Russians finally dropped their conditions about reversing the Nato Euromissile deployments. They agreed with the Americans that a far more ambitious negotiating framework should be set up than in the past, and that the key issue of offensive nuclear weapons should be related to the problem of defensive space weapons, which are for the most part still only in the research stage.

Three working groups are to be set up under one umbrella. The first group will handle strategic nuclear arms. The second will handle intermediate-range nuclear weapons; the third will deal with space weapons.

The negotiations of the three groups will be supervised by the leader of the two teams, Mr Max Kampelman for the US and Mr Viktor Karpov for the Soviet Union.

Mr Kampelman is an experienced Washington lawyer, a conservative Democrat considered a hardliner on relations with the Soviet Union, who led the US delegation at the Madrid Review Conference of the Helsinki Declaration. He lacks specialist knowledge in arms control, but is considered to have strong bipartisan support in Washington, and President Reagan's confidence.

He will lead not only the US delegation, but also the US team on space weapons.

The other key members of the US team are former Senator John Tower and career diplomat Mr Maynard Glitman, Senator Tower was the Republican chairman of the Senate Armed Services Committee until last year's elections, and will head the US team in the strategic arms group.

Mr Glitman will handle the intermediate-range weapon talks, having already served as Mr Paul Nitze's deputy at the earlier INF talks.

Mr Karpov is one of the Soviet Union's most experienced arms control negotiators, going back to the first SALT I negotiations. He led the START negotiations during 1982 and 1983, and will this time again head the Soviet team on strategic arms.

Mr Yuli Kvitsinsky, who is also highly experienced and headed the INF negotiations for the Soviet Union, will this time lead the Soviet side on space talks. He and Mr Nitze made history of sorts when they devised their now famous "walk-in-the-woods" formula for striking a bargain over intermediate-range missiles. It is still thought that was the nearest approach to a realistic agreement on these weapons. But both men were repudiated by their masters, and their proposal seems unlikely to be revived.

A Soviet newcomer will head the intermediate-range missile group this time. He is Mr Alex Obukhov, a career diplomat, who has not taken part in any previous Geneva negotiations. His appointment suggests that the Soviet Union has downgraded this group of talks, and does not intend to move far from its basic view that Nato must reverse the cruise and Pershing deployments before it will advance any meaningful concessions.

While the agenda on intermediate-range and strategic arms is fairly clear, and is bound to pick up the threads of the earlier negotiations, the two space teams will be on virgin territory.

There is no common understanding on the ground to be covered, even though both sides are committed to negotiate the "prevention of an arms race in space." The Americans believe there is little to negotiate at this stage, and want to concentrate on a "seminar," laying out the implications for future strategic stability of the space technology now being researched.

The Soviet Union wants to reach agreement on the demilitarisation of space, and obtain a US commitment to halt its Strategic Defence Initiative. Both sides are likely to accuse the other of violating the 1972 Anti-Ballistic Missile Treaty, which restricts the development of defensive weapons; and both may also insist on a reaffirmation of that treaty.

The Soviet Union is certain to assert from the outset that all three groups of negotiations must remain interrelated, and that agreement can only be reached on a package involving all three elements. The US acknowledges the linkage but is already arguing that agreement on one issue should not be allowed to hold up the rest.

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## NEWS IN BRIEF

### Thailand in peace effort

THE Australian Foreign Minister, Mr Bill Hayden, said in Singapore yesterday that Thailand had asked him to continue his efforts to bring peace to Kampuchea despite the severe setback caused by Vietnamese incursions into Thai territory.

Mr Hayden, on the final leg of a southeast Asian tour, said that the Thai Foreign Minister, Mr Siddhi Savetsila, had made clear there could be no negotiations until Vietnam ended its violations of Thai territory.

Mr Hayden, who visited Vietnam, Laos, Malaysia and Thailand, said that Australia would keep its offer open to host an international conference on Kampuchea, although there was no "genuine commitment" by the parties concerned at present.—Reuter.

### Boycott ends

GRENADA'S sole non-government MP has agreed to end his boycott of parliament and has founded a new opposition party, giving the regime of the pro-American Prime Minister, Mr Herbert Blaize, a more democratic image, Greg Chamberlain reports.

The MP, Mr Marcel Peters, announced that he and two senior aides of Sir Eric Gairy, Mr Oliver Raeburn and Mr Albert Forsythe, had broken with Sir Eric, who had ordered the boycott, and had formed a new conservative party, the Grenada Democratic Labour Party.

### Pope jury

THE jury for the trial of eight men charged in connection with the shooting of the Pope in 1981 will be picked on Monday in brief proceedings Mr Adolfo Larussa, the lawyer for one of the defendants, the Bulgarian Sergei Tsanou Antonou, said in Rome yesterday. He said the trial would begin on May 27.—AP.

### Bail opposed

SIXTEEN South Africans due to appear in the country's biggest treason trial for 25 years are likely to remain in gaol for up to two years, whether innocent or guilty, lawyers said yesterday.

Natal's attorney-general has issued an order forbidding bail so the 16 could thus be held in gaol until the end of the trial, which is expected to start in June and last at least 18 months.—Reuter.

### Thatcher visit

MRS THATCHER will visit the Sultanate of Brunei on April 9, the Brunei-based Borneo Bulletin said yesterday. It said the visit was the first by a British Prime Minister.—AP.

### Soft landing

A THREE-year-old girl who plunged 14 storeys down a garbage shute was saved by a pile of rubbish, Chicago police said at the weekend. She escaped with minor injuries after spending the night in the rubbish.—AP.

### Deaths at sea

THREE men and a boy, suspected of trying to sneak into Hong Kong from China, died yesterday after they were picked up at sea by a police launch which found them clinging to a tyre, officials said. A fifth member of the group was admitted to hospital in fair condition.—Reuter.

### Charter find

A PRICELESS parchment page of a 1629 land grant charter signed by King Charles I which was stolen last August, was returned to the State House Archives in Boston at the weekend after being seized in a drugs raid. Part of the Massachusetts Bay Charter, it was found in a cupboard in a Boston flat along with antique oriental rungs and a number of guns.—Reuter.

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Crisis meeting called after flood of homeless increases

# UN demands $1.5bn for emergency in Africa

From Iain Guest in Geneva

The UN's emergency operation for Africa will seek about $1.5 billion of aid for 20 African countries at a two-day meeting that starts here today.

The request is easily the largest sum demanded by the UN for an emergency in recent years. It is based on UN estimates that 30 million people are affected by the drought. Of these, 10 million have been forced to leave their homes.

The meeting is due to be opened by the UN Secretary-General, Mr Perez de Cuellar. Four African presidents — from Tanzania, Niger, Botswana, and Djibouti — have said that they will attend. Mr George Bush, the US Vice-President, is expected to announce a sizeable American contribution following his trip to the refugee camps in Sudan and West Africa.

After the formal statements on Monday and Tuesday, there will be a series of six private meetings through to Friday on Ethiopia, Sudan, Mali, Mozambique, Chad, and Niger. These are considered most seriously affected by the crisis.

The $1.5 billion is considered by the UN to be the amount of aid required by the 20 countries by the end of this year. The largest sums are being requested for Ethiopia ($379.3 million), Sudan ($191.3 million), Mali ($159.5 million) and Niger $149.7 million).

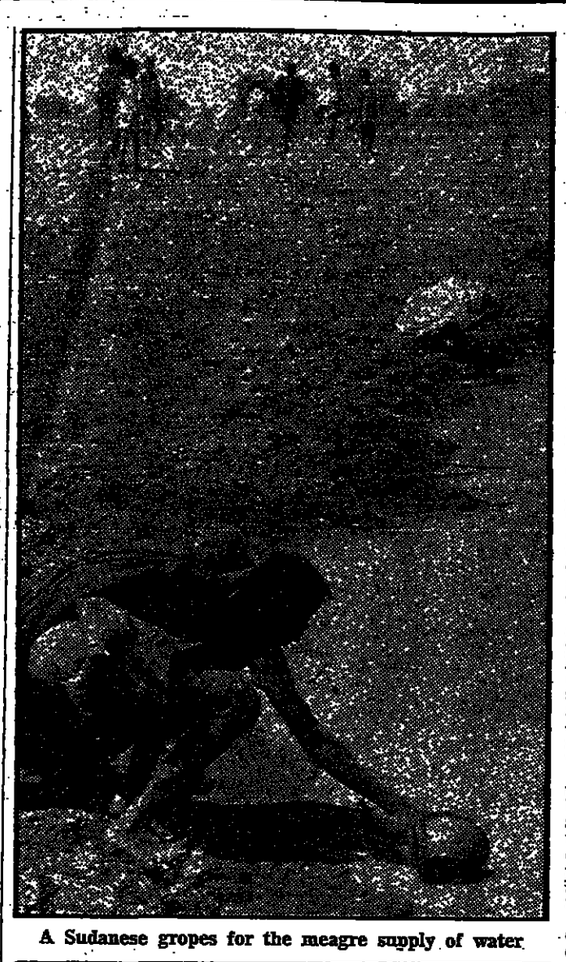
The figure of $1.5 billion includes $1.043 billion for food aid. The rest is for water projects, health services, and improving roads and ports. In addition, the office of the UN High Commissioner for Refugees (UNHCR) still requires another $52 million for refugees in the Horn of Africa and the Central African Republic. On February 7 the UNHCR launched an appeal for $97 million.

The target of $1.5 billion far exceeds the $1.25 billion requested for African refugees at a special conference here in April 1981. According to diplomatic sources, Western diplomats have already asked the director of the UN office for emergency operations in Africa, Mr Bradford Morse, to scale down the appeal.

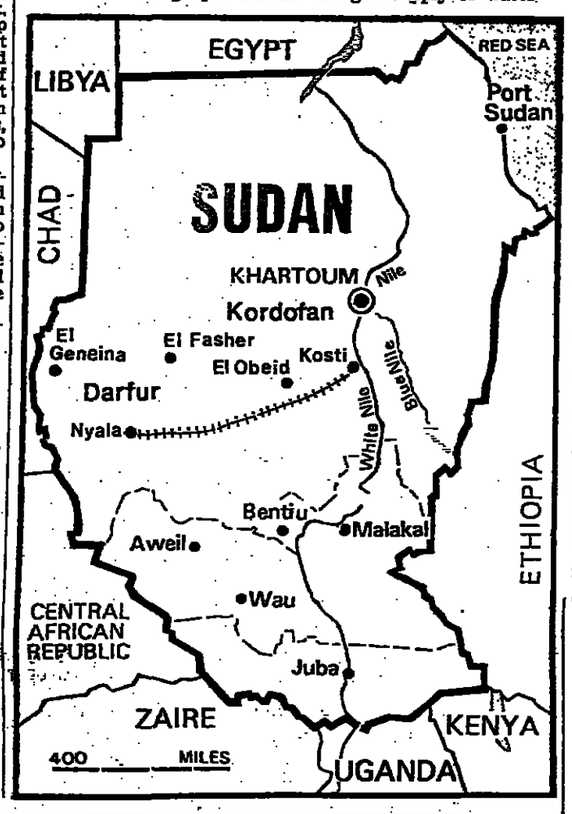
Mr Morse said on Friday that the figures were being adjusted daily, depending on the situation in Africa.

Observers here predicted that the emergency plan would meet two principal objections from Western donors: first, that the UN is trying to slip in requests for development aid, like health services and roads, under the umbrella of the emergency. Second, that most of the figures have been supplied by Governments, which have a tendency to exaggerate.

Mr Morse met both these arguments on Friday. He insisted that the requests have been thoroughly checked, and also that they cover only emergency needs. It makes little sense, he said, to send in food aid if the roads and ports are unable to handle it.



A Sudanese gropes for the meagre supply of water




# Sudan: famine strikes millions in arid expanses of the west

Nick Cater describes the search for grazing in the worst drought in memory

THE mosque's prayer call wails through the darkness before dawn in Nyala to be met by the first cries of hungry babies in the nearby camp of thorn bush and grass mat shelters.

The camp in western Sudan is home to thousands of Sudanese and Chadians who walked out of their villages far to the north when last year's crops failed after meagre rains.

This is the other dimension of Sudan's famine crisis. Along the eastern border with Ethiopia refugees from Eritrea and Tigre are still pouring into the country. But there is hunger throughout Sudan and here in the west, the Sudanese themselves are on the move, together with many from Chad.

Perhaps a million of western Sudan's six million population is already drifting through Dafur and Kordofan regions to end up, often exhausted and sick, around any village where a day's hard digging in a wadi — the dry bed of a seasonal river — will find a little water.

The women and children at the Nyala camp have been left behind to depend on handouts and the relief agencies' efforts, while most men press on south or east, seeking grazing for their few remaining animals or begging for work on agricultural schemes along the Nile.

Nafissa, surrounded by children in her roofless shelter of cloth draped on bushes, says she came here a few weeks ago after walking with other families from their village 200 miles away in North Dafur.

"The rains have been poor for two or three years and last year we had hardly any rain. The dura (sorghum) we had planted would not grow. There was no grass for the animals; so we had to leave.

"Some of the animals died and we sold the rest for food. We came here because we heard there was food. My husband has gone with other men to the Nile. There are shortages here, but I get dura, some oil and onions, and there is water."

Reaching all the victims of Sudan's worst drought in living memory—environmental refugees as some dub them—will not be easy in the vast regions of Dafur and Kordofan, which together stretch 700 miles from Khartoum to Chad and a little more from the border with southern Sudan to the trackless desert disappearing into Libya.

Even if the rains do come in June, most of the tracks through the scrub, sand, and low trees will dissolve into deep mud, impassable to anything on wheels.

The crisis was predicted. By early 1984, after two poor harvests, anyone looking carefully could see the first signals in Sudan of the famine already destroying Ethiopia. Rising grain and fodder costs began to depress animal prices, the poorest people started to move, selling possessions, such as jewellery, and gathering the lower level foods of grass seeds and berries.

All that was needed was for the rains to fail. Fortunately for Western Sudan, when they did, the US Agency for International Development has already sent in a precautionary request for large additional supplies of sorghum, Sudan's staple grain. The first ship arrived in November as the full scope of the harvest — a 1.9 million tonne deficit — became clear. A second request for grain has gone in; a third is being prepared.

The yala mirgrants are lucky. Close to the supply lines being built, they have a far better chance of good food supplies than the makeshift settlements around the border town of El Geneina, 200 miles north-west, where the largest camp ran out of food last week.

Amid sickly children coughing in the hot dry air of the tented feeding centre, the albino children of two sisters briefly become the centre of attention at the weighing station, while a leading camp worker, Mr Andrew Cowley, of the UN High Commission for Refugees, ran through the terse shorthand of famine management — tonnages, malnutrition levels, immunisation rates — with Save the Children's Sudan chief Mr Andrew Timpson.

A priority for the camp was agreed, and by today it should have received grain supplies after a 12,500-mile lorry and rail journey from Port Sudan along one of the two tenuous lifelines into Dafur and Kordofan on which all hopes of averting a catastrophe rest.

Usaid signed a deal with a joint American-Sudanese firm, Arkel-Talab, for carrying half the grain to Kordofan's capital, El Obeid, via khartourm, and taking the rest by road to Kosti, from where it goes to Nyala along a single rail line.

With the Usaid money and fuel, Save the Children in Dafur and the American agency Care in Kordofan are creating distribution networks to the remotest villages, using everything from traders' pick-up lorries to camels and donkeys.

Much more than grain will be needed, soon, to avert malnutrition among children in particular, rather than simple starvation. Usaid has outpaced everyone, but other agencies and governments will have to find the extra dried milk and oil, lentils and soya beans, sugar, drugs, vaccines, and Unicef's ubiquitous oral rehydration salts against diarrhoea.

From their offices in El Obeid and Nyala, Care's emergency feeding director, Mr Jim Stearns, and the Save the Children team leader, Mr Chris Eldridge, know that they have only a short time to get it right.

What happens if Usaid does not ship enough grain? If the rail line is badly blocked? If the fuel runs out? If, for any reason, they fail? A short discussion round the staff lunch table, and the transport leader, Mr Geoffrey Warren, replies: "If the extra grain for the rains gets here, we can get it out. If it doesn't arrive in time, up to a million people will die."

No one knows where those people are now, said Mr Stearns. "We are working in an information vacuum. We have to know soon where those problems are going to be, particularly the displaced people. We had to start with the 1983 census — that's certainly out of date, and district officials are helpful but they have almost no fuel."

As reports come in every day of migrant groups, sometimes thousands strong, running out of food, Ms Karen Twining of Oxfam, who set up the charity's western office in El Fasher in December, and Dr Chris Daniell have joined Care and Save the Children staff in covering thousands of miles by Land-Rover to prepare for a series of nutritional surveys to pinpoint needs.

The agencies' attention until now has focused on the northern provinces of both regions, where the worst death and malnutrition rates have been found. But village after village has been abandoned—one last act is usually to rip apart termite mounds for the grain the insects collect—and the effort is shifting, following hungry people as they hurry south to where some food remains.

The thousands of extra people are putting enormous pressure on food, water, and other resources, using up grazing intended to last until June and then cutting down trees for animal fodder or firewood.

The influx has sharpened traditional conflicts between nomads and pastoralists, banditry is increasing and people have already been killed in fighting. The pressures will rise even further, as many more people are expected to move north into Dafur and Kordofan from southern Sudan, where the drought is deepening, but armed rebellion prevents foreign relief efforts.

The crisis is only round the corner for all the villages. Their cattle look fairly well fed, but the grazing that should last three more months is almost gone, and for many the only money is in making charcoal. At every tea house, the small talk fits the larger misery: "We haven't got too much food, and we had only a few kilos of the American grain ... yes, many people have passed through, though the nomads we usually see never came .. there are some strangers living out by the wadi ..."

About 80 miles south, at Lake Safir, the women wait patiently for their turn to raise the buckets from the muddy water 12 feet down their hand-dug well. A beggar or two cringe before the foreigners, while the men sip tea, discuss their neighbours who have already left and stare across the half mile of the lake that has been dry mud for a year.

**PRESIDENT Jaafar Numeiri said in Khartoum yesterday that a Muslim group was plotting a takeover in Sudan and he promised measures to foil it, President Numeiri, broadcasting on Omdurman Radio, did not name the group or the foreign power which it said was arming it. But a crackdown appeared likely against the Muslim Brotherhood, formally banned as a political party. President Numeiri said the unidentified subversive group appeared publicly under such names as Islamic Front and Islamic Trend. These are known as Brotherhood organisations.—Reuter.**

# Nkomo hits at 'fascists'

**Bulawayo:** The opposition leader, Mr Joshua Nkomo, made a vitriolic attack on the Mugabe government yesterday at a rally attended by 50,000 supporters to launch his campaign for the general election scheduled for mid-June.

Mr Nkomo said the elections were "a fraud before they started." The crowd ululated and whistled approval when he added: "Independence without freedom is meaningless, and there is no freedom in this country."

He denounced the government as "led by fascists, not even comparable to Herr Hitler."

Mr Nkomo alleged that Mugabe loyalists have abducted and murdered 378 people in Matabeleland as part of "an ongoing exercise to bring fear and intimidate people" to vote for Mugabe's Zanu (PF) party.

On the election campaign, Mr Nkomo said: "People are forced to attend Zanu (PF) meetings at the points of guns. They are forced to buy Zanu (PF) cards at the points of guns. . . is this freedom?" The crowd roared back "No."

He alleged the government was putting obstacles in the way of opposition parties holding political rallies. He said that in Harare, the capital, his party was told it would have to take out an insurance policy of £60,000 to hire a municipal stadium because of the fear of faction fighting.—AP.


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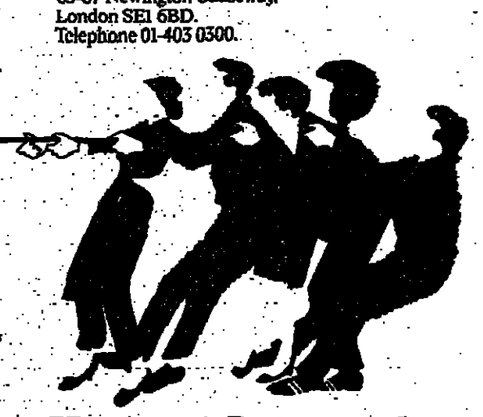
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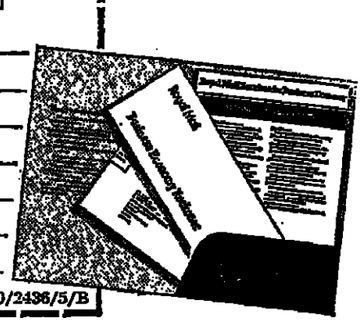
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# Where is the essence of woman to be discovered these days, when the very word feminine conjures up an image that so many have spent so long escaping?



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**THE CHANGING IMAGE V: In the last part of her series on how women have shaped the decades since the war, Ann Shearer looks at the Eighties**

AND THEN, into the images of anger and confusion that were the legacy of the seventies, there came another, new-minted for a new decade from the very coinage of fairy-tale. And that, it seemed, was the one for which very many women had been waiting.

The heroine was not quite Cinderella. But near enough she was, as she got on quietly in the kindergarten with tending the children of others, *in a skirt of stuff so* modest in its quality that clever photographers could set her against the light to steal a glimpse of her shapely legs. And the hero really was a Prince who battled through trial by rumour and speculation and more photographers to claim her as his own. And when she turned out to be not humble at all, but of noble and ancient lineage, then that was just as it should be. And when they married, there was an outburst of joy *in the land, the like of which had* not been felt for many years.

And what an outburst of Princess Di look-alikes there was, too, which is perhaps not surprising, for fairy-tales have been called the purest and simplest expression of the psychic processes of the collective unconscious that there is, and that is why we tell and retell them and want them enacted as well. Time was, in those days at the start of the decade, when hairdressers had to be told not to make it a Princess Di cut. High fashion brought back romance and the waist, that symbol of virginity and promise; the chain-stores found a profusion of frilly-necked blouses. And if the cynical put down the craze for flat-heeled shoes to the fact that princesses must at least be seen not to be looking over their prince's head, then feminists who warred against high heels as symbol of woman hobbled could enjoy the fashion too.

But this decade has already thrown up another image of woman too, and it could hardly be more different, for it derives its power not from woman as exhalted by the position of her man, but from woman seeking strength and energy from the very fact that she is separated from his world, and united against the very symbols of its dominance. The *Princess of Wales is now the very* type of radiant young motherhood; with the birth of her two sons she has ensured not just the royal dynasty but something of a sense of national security as well.

The women of Greenham are singing for all our lives as they try to nurture Mother Earth herself against annihilation. Yet it is as a threat to national security that they are seen by many and often abused by its guardians; and those who do not salute their courage condemn them as unnatural — and dirty, butch or simply crazy as well. The contrast could hardly be greater.

Yet it was not some nostalgic reassurance that was this season's surprise success on television, but Tenko. And what did that evoke but the image of women united in their battle against an alien and dangerous masculine world, trying to maintain their essence and to build a future for themselves and for others, too?

Early yet to see what the 1980s will throw up as images of that future, so contradictory do the signs so far seem. On these very pages and in the past few weeks, we can learn that feminism is dead and that "twittering femininity" is the mood of America now, with "teeny weeny Nancy Reagan, coiffed and painted, staring up adoringly at her orange-haired hero" as its expression and caricature, perhaps, of our own young royal pair.

But there are images, too, of women building their bodies against who knows what battles to come, and seeking their own and independent expression. We can read of the death of the image of woman as housewife and of the indignation and anger with which women protest that they find it holds honour for them. We can learn that fashion decrees an eroticism in dress for men and women both; and what is that about but bringing them together? We can recall that in Sex and Destiny Germaine Greer last year cried out her anger and pain against a sterilisation of so many bodies that stood metaphor for the very sterility of Western civilisation itself.

And in the confusions we are assailed by images that blur the sexual distinctions altogether. Travesty has ever been fun and sexy, from the music hall to Marlene Dietrich, from Danny la Rue, to a hundred pub-bound look-alikes, and before and since. But these days it is not just parody, nor even the friendliness of Unisex or the fashionable bi-sexuality of the 1970s with which we are confronted. In Boy George as the young girls' darling, in Eva Mattes's extraordinary cinematic evocation of Fassbinder in A Man Like Eva, we are looking at something else again: the image of androgyne, of the unity in one person of the masculine characteristics that history has associated with the male of the species and the feminine ones that it has associated with the female.

But Boy George is part of the mass-culture. A Man Like Eva is specialist stuff for the arts buffs. It has become important, in some circles, for men to discover their own feminity and give it expression in caring for their children, talking of their feelings. But when women put on their gents' natty suiting to go to the office in these days that mask the tenth anniversary of a woman at the height of power in offices political (and *hard economic times for very* many others), maybe no one is any too sure whether the fact that the suits are over-sized is a joke at male pomposities or a statement that the image doesn't really fit.

No simple coincidence, perhaps, that anorexia nervosa is the type of the disease of young women now — for that art of starvation not only promises control of the shape that distinguishes the female body, but leads to a cessation of menstruation as well. Where is the essence of woman to be discovered these days, when the very word "*feminine*" conjures for so many an image of sugar and spice and all things that they have spent so long escaping?

It was not the Princess of Wales nor the Prime Minister who can claim to have had anything to do with the lightning flash that fired York Minister last year and whose embers are smouldering still. For that had to do with a ressurgence of an image of Woman which holds a place in our civilisation to which neither of them can ever be approached.

Of all the extraordinary lessons that can be drawn from the Bishop of Durham's public musings on, among other matters, the symbolic rather than the literal truth of the Virgin Birth of Christ, one of the most extraordinary is this: that in all the public discussions and arguments and interviews and debates the question has nearly *always been among men and* around what, if anything, Durham's thesis says about the divinity of Christ, and rarely indeed among women and around what it says about the nature of Mary herself.

At the level of the world, perhaps this is hardly surprising, for it is in the older churches and their organisation that that type of the patriarchy is most clearly expressed. Six of the 16 Anglican provinces may now ordain women as priests; but the quiet determination of the Movement for the Ordination of Women has flushed out images of womankind that had seemed long dead and gone. Where else but in theological circles would there be debate on whether women are unclean when they menstruate, or whether their sexuality debars them from the finer expressions of the spirit?

Yet it is for this very reason, perhaps, that anyone who is seeking for images of woman to inform us now, *whether atheist, agnostic or believer*, could do a lot worse than to acquaint themselves with this battleground. For the image of Mary, Mother of God, Seat of Wisdom, Queen of Heaven, is the one which is still the ground of all others. She it is who is held up, or put down, and whichever way underpins all the rest as the very type of woman's ideal — an image so impossible in her perfection as both virgin and mother that all the rest, lacking the grace of Immaculate Conception that allowed her alone to be born without the taint of original sin, are cast forever in the split image of woman as either virgin or whore. It is she alone who is spared the association of sexuality and motherhood, while all others inherit the curse of Eve.

Not for nothing did a recent collection of essays from the Movement for the Ordination of Women call itself Feminine in the Church (SPCK, 1984). *The very connotation* of a concept that has come to denote frilliness, frivolity, something less than serious, with its subject-matter caused, as the authors well knew, something of a shudder of anxiety among even their friends. But that, as Monica Furlong explains in her introduction, was why they did it, for the shudder is salutory. And there was another reason, too: "some of us wanted to own the word 'feminine,' to redeem it from any imputation of mindless frivolity, or need of special protection, and to claim it as the word that best described our particular strengths, wisdom and attitudes."

When Rome proclaimed the bodily Assumption of the Virgin into heaven as doctrine in 1950, and so admitted the feminine to a distinction known hitherto officially to only Jesus, Elijah and the prophet Enoch, the psychologist and philosopher Carl Jung called it "the most important religious event since the Reformation" and chastised the Protestant churches for *failing to understand its* significance.

Yet it is not only the Protestant churches which have failed to follow the symbolic logic of that Papal act. In 1974, at a time when perhaps the image of woman was in turmoil as seldom before, Pope Paul VI, in his Marialis Cultis (To Honour Mary) urged a renewal of her cult. Modern women would note that far from being timidly submissive or repellantly pious, she did not hesitate to proclaim God's vindication of the poor and oppressed — a woman of strength who herself had experienced poverty and suffering, flight and exile.

The unionists of Solidarity who went into battle at the start of the '80s under the banner and protection of Our Lady of Czestochowa would recognise that last, perhaps. But for the Polish Pope, it is *above all Mary the Mother who is* to be venerated. He re-emphasises what his predecessor affirmed: that there is to be no veneration of Mary that does not lead back to Christ and so to God. It is left to some women to see in her a Mothergod, to point out that the Holy Spirit in its original expression was feminine, not masculine, to maintain as they can the place of femininity in the culture's most enduring image of the ideal.

Yet if for most the legacy of that ideal is the impossible split in the image of womankind, then the images that might heal it are amassing in ever-greater piles these days in the feminist bookshops. For once upon a time, and very long ago indeed, there was nothing impossible at all in the image of goddess as both virgin and Mother. Indeed, in those far off and mythic times, it was the most usual image of woman of them all, for then there were goddesses who rejoiced in their instincts, their sexuality, and their fecundity as well, and in nature itself as both light and dark, creative and destructive, as it is to this day. Virginity then was nothing to do with sexual chastity; it meant living in the truth of that nature and those instincts, and an image of woman as free from possession by any man, however often impregnated and child-bearing.

But when heaven has room for only sexual purity and obedience to the masculine and none of the rest, *it is left to the daughters of* the Christian era to make what they can of the split. And what that has meant, in these days, is an expression, in the eyes of men and of women too, of the dark side of what used to be revered as the power of the feminine in an attempt to balance that impossible light.

Somewhere near the beginning, and long before the first Eve who was the temptress and the downfall of us all, longer yet before the Second Eve who brought the promise of redemption as Mary, there was Lilith. She, so the legends have it, was Adam's first wife. And what distinguished her from his second was that she was born of the same substance as he and at the same time. No spare rib she: for in those distant days, there was absolute equality between man and woman. So equal were they, that Lilith would *insist that she should not always* take the inferior position during sexual congress.

But that was too much, it seems. So she was split off from Adam, cursed by God, and cast to the bottom of the Red Sea. From there she vented her rage on the other woman, that Eve, and on her offspring. She killed children, prevented birth through barrenness and miscarriages and complications of labour — and behaved indeed, as the very type of those who now cause Germaine Greer to cry her anger and her pain. Her *subsequent fortunes* and wanderings were many and complex. To those who recognised her she incarnated as the Queen of Sheba, the Ladder of Wisdom and the Queen of Heaven. To others, she was Harpy, Sphinx, flying demon, always and in many places feared as the very image of all that was dark and destructive in the feminine when its force is denied. She is witch, she is temptress, and you can tell her animal *instinctuality because she is hairy* of limb. Her image is with us yet.

Sometimes it has been a joke: when Veronica Lake made her 1942 film I Am A Witch, or Kim Novak in 1958 starred in Bell, Book And Candle, these were comedies. But when Jean Seberg, herself something of an image of the new woman, made Lilith in 1964 and played the woman who was made, bad and dangerous to men; or when Marianne Faithfull, the wickedest star *of the 1960s, played Lilith in Lucifer* Rising at the decade's end, the strength of the image began to emerge more clearly. In every one of these cinematic temptresses that have lured men to destruction and been destroyed themselves in the last reel (and look at the resurgence of Carmen among them in the past couple of years) there she is. And she has made her way into something like real life as well.

Interest in witchcraft — the old religion that accords power to the feminine as well as the masculine — is growing yet. At the end of the 1960s, when all still seemed possible, feminists took the image to themselves. An American collectivity called Witch proclaimed itself "the striking arm of the Women's Liberation Movement" and went about casting spells and making theatre and hexing supermarkets when they hiked their prices. "Witch lives and laughs in every woman," it declared. "She is the free part of us," beneath the shy smiles, the acquiescence to absurd male domination, the make-up or flesh-suffocating clothing our sick society demands. ... If you are a woman and dare to look within yourself, you are a Witch."

From the real furs on which the pin-ups of the '40s and '50s still posed and for which many others still pined, to the fun furs of the 1960s, to the fake furs of the 1970s, to the crop of clothing printed with animal markings: women have taken Lilith's hairiness to themselves and fashion has decreed that they should wear it more and more nearly as their own. "Could you slip into a sleeveless dress at any time and *know* your underarms were impeccable?" asked Woman's Own sternly of its readers in 1960. A decade later, Faye Dunaway made publicity out of saying publicly that she didn't care that she couldn't, and for many women in the past decade, the chucking out of razor and depilatory has become a symbol of their emerging selves. Heads which in the 1950s were tightly permed and neatly constrained and then lacquered have since shaken, out into exaggerations of frizz, curl and length and finally been coloured and spiked into a post-punk energy as their hair has carried the symbol of the release and individual contouring of sexual energy.

So where now is that energy to find its feminine expression; and where is Lilith to reunite with Mary, that other Queen of Heaven? Once there was a feminine godhead who knew what that unity meant: "I am the first and the last," she said. "I am the honoured one and the scorned one. I am the whore and the holy one. I am the wife and the virgin. I am the mother and the daughter... I am she whose wedding is great and I have not taken a husband... I am knowledge and I am ignorance... I am shameless; I am ashamed. I am strength and I am fear... I am foolish and I am wise... I am godless and I am one whose God is great." Her name was Thunder, Perfect Mind. But these days she is only a fragment of agnostic gospel. And that fragment, of course, was most likely written by a man.




# Vanity Fair

IF YOU drive up to the very top of Urbleton, past the High Street and the roundabout, the road turns into a bit of motorway, and along its edges are mouldering and shuttered houses, blighted by Department of Transport, the new-style Reaper who shall come to all boroughs.

Minister of Transport did have about 70 miles of London's roads to play with, but like Toad, intoxicated by the hum of the Motor Car, he wanted more, bigger and better, so he shall now take over 300 miles altogether for his very own, and may cover the town with a web of Motorways, blighting as he goes and starting with Urbleton.

To get things going, Minister only has to Publish Plans *showing a Proposed Scheme.* No Building Society will provide money for dwellings where Minister is *planning something*, so no one can buy any property and no one can sell it, except to Department, who can then step in and buy it all up.

Then they can let it all run down, because luckily, unlike other landlords, Department has Crown Exemption from the Housing Act and is not responsible for repairs.

Residents will give up and move away, leaving Department with some transient dregs who won't care about Urbleton's future. And if any do stay and fight they'll be punished, because the longer they stay, the more rotten their homes will become. Blighted. Then when they've all gone, Department can build its brand new Motorway.

These are, of course, only the paranoid ravings of the powerless and motorless minority. It seems to them that Department can do as it likes because it has the Road Lobby to help it — all the haulage, car-making, petrol-selling and road-building people. But in fact there's no such thing.

"There's a lot of nonsense talked about the Road Lobby," said the Director of Urbleton Haulage. "Sometimes we get together and talk on a regular basis to DoT, but it only *appears* to be a collective action." What a relief. One would hate to think that the greedy were ganging up and bossing Minister into spending all his transport budget on road-building.

The Lady at DoT was very reassuring as well. Department only wants what the public wants, said she, a little breathless with enthusiasm. Urbleton isn't called Blighted, it's called a Study Area or Traffic Corridor. And nothing physical whatever happens to a road when you Trunk it. Trunking only *means handing over to DoT.* "It's merely a transfer of responsibility. It's nothing to do with widening and streamlining."

Department was most democratic, said Lady Spokesperson. It wasn't opposed to a ban on heavy lorries. The only reason it won't have one is because there hasn't been a Public Enquiry about it, and when one's priority is to please the Public, Public Enquiries *are a must.*

In fact: Department is at this very moment begging Urbleton residents to ring its Consultants and tell them just what they feel the traffic problems are. Just as they asked residents' opinions all those years ago before they trunked (sorry, transferred) that bit of Motorway at the top of the High Street.

What objectors fail to realise is that Department is far sighted. It sees beyond merely local needs, even beyond Death. It recognises another of man's inner-needs — to leave his mark upon this world after he has gone forth from the house of flesh. And for some men, that mark has to be a big, long, straight one. Poop poop.

Michele Hanson



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Nancy Banks-Smith reviews In the Secret State

# Strange conflict or pursuit

I WOULD be glad if Frank Finlay, writing clearly on one side of a post-card only, would drop me an outline of the plot of In the Secret State (BBC-2) with particular reference to: the discontroller interrupt, the difference (if any between Davenport and Dangerfield, the offence of Champerty, his personal opinion which will go no further) on who pushed Lister off the 5th floor, and what he keeps under his hat.

If he can shed any light on any of these, with the possible exception of the hat, I will eat it with salad dressing. Frank Finlay's cry of "What the hell's going on?" rang comfortingly in my ears throughout. In the Secret State. It seemed at times that only he and I hadn't got a blind idea of what was going on. Everybody else did or pretended they did. If there is one thing I admire more than another about your average actor it is his ability to pick up the phone and say solemnly "The Fox is running free and the hounds are on the scent" without feeling compelled to add frivolously "and I'm off for a pee so you know where I've went." In a Secret State was Equity in pursuit of an enigma.

It was a hard-driving good-looking thriller in the fine Screen 2 series directed by Christopher Morahan and set in the Britain of 1986, a place once squalid and aggressive, where the streets are full of black plastic bags of rubbish lolling together like victims of muggers.

This scene of brutish dereliction was illuminated by two places of refreshing beauty, the chapel at Selbourne filled with pale gold light (the public school seemed to have escaped the deluge) and the coast of Cornwall with swathes of pale silver shingle like parachute silk scattered with seagulls. Nat Crosby was, of course, the cameraman.

Strange (Frank Finlay), the director of a civil service department called cryptically the Directorate, arrives for his last day of work before retirement to find one of his computer programmers lightly scattered on the pavement, having taken a short cut from the 5th floor. In a detective story the question would be "Who?" in a thriller it is "Why?"

For the better part of two hours Strange, who is lame and was called "the blind man" by Lister, because of his ignorance of wit was going on under his nose, limps his way to an answer. I would risk a modest bet that either the novelist Robert McCrum or his adaptor Brian Phelan had a subliminal memory of Treasure Island, of Blind Pew and the tap of Long John's crutch.

It is a lively retirement for Strange. Plumping between the south west and Whitehall — in car, on a train, on a bus, on a boat, in the underground, on an airfield — he chases Lister's associates. Two watchers follow him. Another lies them.

It is, you might say, complicated. He never seems to get a mouthful to eat as the only time he visits a cafe he is asked to leave and the only friend who offers him a bite (dear Ronald Fraser giving a bit of bounce and beam to it all) changes his mind. Just before he is blown up it is suggested he is looking a little tired but apart from a suggestion of shadow under those remarkable eyes which would make a cocker spaniel go away and rehearse harder, I could not see it. Throughout this trying time he looked a credit to Austin Reed and never like a man who sleeps in his hat. One feels that, like Tom Pearce's old mare, this indefatigable old party will appear on moonlit nights still crisscrossing the west country. "There 'e do go" they will say pointing their scythes, tithes and rings, "with his old hat on."

If you had had time to think about it the situation was a touching variation on the ordinary thriller, aging man investigating with accelerating horror his life's work. In the name of national security, the Directorate collected and collated information on everyone. (Strange's protegé Quiltman is observed diligently running a programme on the Liberal party). What Lister knew and Strange discovers is that the computerised records are being looked to destroy political opposition or just make money.

I was surprised to see that when Quiltman programmed Lister's number 1010 102 in order to wipe him out he got 1011011102 instead and went ahead regardless. One boggles a bit. Who was wiped out by mistake? Miss Lister, Mr Lister's sister? I am not sure if this evidence of utter incompetence at the highest level cheers me up good deal of contrariwise.

*Martin Pawley's architecture column will appear on Wednesday.*

# Hard stuff with a class rating

**W. J. Weatherby introduces America's latest fiction hot property**

THE American novelist, Elmore Leonard, is 59 and has been writing novels for 30 years without winning a large readership. But suddenly he has become a hot property. After 23 books, you can't call it overnight success, but endurance has certainly paid off and all at once he has become a millionaire through book and movie sales and the subject of great media attention in the United States.

His new novel, Glitz, is a Book-of-the-Month Club Dual Main Selection, and paperback and movie rights have been sold for more than $900,000. Dustin Hoffmann is discussing making a movie of his previous novel, La Brava, and Burt Reynolds is about to release his movie of the novel before that, Stick.

Together with this wave of sudden financial success comes the kind of review attention usually reserved for established literary greats. Time magazine, which ignored most of Leonard's earlier novels, has suddenly discovered he is a "Dickens from Detroit," and the influential New York Times Book Review recently gave Glitz a whole pag including an extract fromhis novel, and decided it belonged on the same she as such masters as Dashiell Hammett and Raymond Chandler.

Leonal's fellow writers have joped on the bandwagon too, with John D. Macdonald calling him "astonishingly good" and Robert Parker simply "marvellous."

For American novelists it seems to be either a feast or a famine. It isn't long ago that when you dropped the name Elmore Leonard in a New York literary exchange, you met only blank looks. When Leonard tried to earn a living as a writer after coming out of the US Navy, he had to fall back on a nine-to-five advertising job for many years.

Two possible money-earning genres seemed open—westerns and crime novels—so he chose westerns and produced eight of them, all well crafted, plausible, exciting yarns that had a short life, mainly in paperback, and then disappeared until his recent recognition brought them back into print. When one of them, Hombre, was sold to Hollywood for a modest $10,000, he decided to gamble on full-time writing.

With five children to keep, life was tough, but luckily he had a well-connected Hollywood agent, H. N. Swanson, who found him screenwriting assignments and sold one or two options on other westerns. Then the western market started drying up, so he switched to crime novels, welcoming an opportunity to make more use of his contemporary experiences and observations. So far he has written 15.

With Hemingway as his chief mentor, he learned how to write dialogue that sounded accurate and to describe people, places and events dispassionately, keeping his own feelings strictly between the lines. Gradually he evolved what is now being praised as the Leonard contribution to the modern suspense novel — a gripping tale of crime and retribution in seedy settings, in which the villains are often much more colourful than the heroes, and the view of existence is fashionably ambiguous.

Puerto Rico, Detroit, Atlantic City and Florida are favourite locales, but wherever it is, the setting becomes recognisably Leonard-land. His novels of double-crossing crooks and ambiguous cops are as evocative of the seedy side of city life as the Graham Greene entertainments of the Thirties. He is without Greene's religious commitment, but his point of view is always clear. The New Jersey resort coast becomes "big money, bi homes, but it looked barren to him; there were so few trees." There is the knowingness that is essential in modern novels as when he refers to the Miami police: "No one wore a shoulder holster any more; they packed Smiths on their hipbones."

But it is in the basics of fiction that he has won his loudest praise — realistic description and dialogue. Here is an old photographer: "He was five-five, weighed about one-fifteen and spoke with a soft urban-south accent that had wise-guy overtones, decades of street-corner styles blended and delivered, right or wrong, with casual authority..."

And here is the same old man talking about a Florida hotel he owns: "See, I tell the old ladies I only manage the place so they don't bug me. They got nothing to do, sit out front but complain. Use to be the coloured guys, now it's the Cubans, the Haitians, making noise on the street, grabbing their purses. Graubers, they call 'em. momzers, loomps..."

A good ear for dialogue is often considered a great virtue by American critics, but often that is the part of a novel that dates fastest. At his best Leonard has learned the Hemingway trick of seeming to write accurate dialogue without depending too heavily on current fashionable slang, but his novels still betray some of the pulp habits he picked up in the lean years when he did paperback originals for a drugstore readership.

His breakthrough is partly due to his vigorous hardcover editor, Donald I. Fine, who believed his novels were too good for a limited readership and encouraged him to become more ambitious. Leonard now rejects any crime, thriller, mystery or detective label and lays claim only to being a novelist. He uses a researcher and isn't above getting out his notebook when he hears a new vivid expression, but he rejects mataphors and images as self-indulgent aids that slow down a narrative.

"I do everything in my power to make my writing not look like writing," he explains. That is why he objects to what Burt Reynolds has done with his screenplay based on his novel Stick. The characters in the film are too "theatrical" for Leonard-land. But he is being generally very cool about his rocketing success and growing prestige.

He has lived most of his writing life in Birmingham, Michigan, a chic suburb outside Detroit, and he intends to stay there except for visits to Florida and his research trips.

His success of course means financial freedom, but he claims he has always maintained his freedom as a writer. He says he has always more or less written what he wanted to write, but the difference is "now I have readers."

All he concedes himself is that at an age when his cop heroes would have retired, he is just getting into top gear for what he thinks will be his best work yet.

*Elmore Leonard: no metaphors*



CARDIFF

Tom Sutcliffe

## Norma

THE challenge of Norma for the dramatic soprano is comparable to the challenge of King Lear for the Shakespearian star. Bellini's vocal line is already demanding enough for Norma and Adalisa and, to a lesser extent for Pollione, the man who comes between them. But Norma herself, with all the ravishing lyric energy, goes beyond mere notes to explore a neo-classical heroine who is profoundly fascinating precisely because she is not without blot.

From the purity of Castadiva, through some very muddy waters to that redeeming self-sacrifice when Norma confesses her original sin with Pollione to save Adalgisa, she is persistently, wonderfully human. How different from Beethoven's angelic Leonore.

On stage the work need not be bound to naturalism, but its tautly structured narrative is worth clear telling. A succession of crucial turning-points demand sharp focus. Norma's secret children throw ironic light on the pretensions of Castadiva. Her ambivalence about this physical sign of her guilt gnaws through the rest of the opera. Adalgisa's revelation that Pollione is her lover is finally answered by Norma's self-accusation.

It's worth recalling these markers, because Andrei Serban's new staging for Welsh National Opera muffs most of them, while offering a number of spurious and ill-considered innovations. The assorted classical ruins of Michael Yeargan's mix and match sets suggest Serban is aiming for a Peter Brook-style economy of means, where a few simple actions make their mark in an unspecific poetic context.

But Norma's reaction to the revelation about Pollione is poorly projected, because both women are turned upstage watching his entry from a distant corner, and her attempt on the life of her children, improbably asleep among the ruins on piles of straw, carries no credibility.

We do find, however, Norma's sons paraded from early in the first scene like principal exhibits for the prosecution.

And Adalgisa presides busily over the denouement, a silent mistress of ceremonies who prevents Pollione from joining Norma in her flaming apotheosis. Serban seems to regard the opera as an embryonic feminist tract, in which Pollione's rights are forfeit, rather than recognising the women at the centre as human before they are female.

The acting Serban gets from his cast is vacuum-packed. The women may display great agitation, advertising their feelings, but there is little sense of mutual passion growing from the story. The sharing is only musical, when duetting voices entwine, not dramatic. Following his Covent Garden Turandot, Serban again resorts to masks the chorus static and inexpressive (and vocally underpowered), the principals sometimes uncovering their eyes and faces emphatically at moments of high emotion that still somehow fail to thrill.

What whipped up the enthusiasm in Cardiff so much was the energy and commitment of the lead singers and the stylish, superbly paced conducting of Julian Smith, a master in the Italian operatic field.

As Norma, Suzanne Murphy looks intense, strikingly beautiful and vulnerable. Unfortunately her singing was largely monochrome, her median vowel colour diphthong ooh-er rather than the five forward, open sounds of true Italian belcanto. Occasionally the tone is transparent, but mostly Murphy's technique seemed anaemic and throaty.

Kathryn Harries as Adalgisa has an effective contralto register, but lacked the right refinement of tone higher up. Her covered sound rarely achieves authentic Italian attack. Vowel colours are wrong and, as with Murphy, consonants are sparingly applied. In Mira, O Norma the two voices blended with choristerlike sweetness. But Harries's rhythms are limp, when her flourishes need to be subtly sprung.

Frederick Donaldson, the Pollione, is a respectably heroic singer, if a bluff, insensitive actor. Harry Dworchack sounded excellent as Oroveso, the archdruid.



*Suzanne Murphy as Norma: Cardiff. Picture by Zoe Dominic*

COVENT GARDEN

Mary Clarke

## Number Three

A COUPLE of weeks after the outcry caused by the new designs for Ballet Imperial, the Royal Ballet was presenting a new ballet whose choreographer had so little faith in his costume designs that he had won permission for two performances (tomorrow and on March 29) to be danced in simple white costumes.

Michael Corder's Number Three has designs by Helen Frankenthaler, a painter making her debut as a stage designer, and it's wrong to think painters will instinctively understand the very special demands of designing for ballet.

Frankenthaler has provided three backcloths entirely appropriate to the moods of the music and the choreography. For the second movement she has created an abstract and mysterious landscape of great beauty. But she does not seem to appreciate that lines and splotches of colour on flesh-coloured body tights are going to look very different from how they look on the drawing board. She has succeeded, no doubt unwittingly, in making all the dancers' lovely bodies look misshapen. Putting lines of colour across the shoulders and down the outside edge of arms is guaranteed to make the wearers look either square or squat.

Another problem is lighting. The third backcloth is the most powerful, to match the exultant finale, but when it is lit so that it looks worthy of the Tate the dancers are almost eclipsed. Not entirely eclipsed, however. Corder has returned in this ballet to the uncluttered classicism of his early Rhyme nor Reason, albeit on a much larger scale, and won from his large cast dancing of joyous fluency. I think he is wrong to call it a "closing" ballet for, after just one viewing, it strikes me as a very happy way to start an evening. The dancing of Lesley Collier, Mark Silver, delicious Karen Paisey, Nicola Roberts, Ravenna Tucker, the enigmatic Bryony Brind (who has the one effective costume) and the entire cast was impeccable. I long to see them in simple white.

ELIZABETH HALL

Hugo Cole

## Voices of Sleep

AMATEUR singers start at little disadvantage in avant-garde choral music, glissando clusters and the stranger sorts of mouth music being certainly no harder to bring off than the long-sustained legato phrases of orthodox music. When the surprising sounds are as practically and considerately notated as they are in Paul Patterson's Voices of Sleep, laid out ready for immediate use, a lively and intelligent performance can almost be guaranteed. The John Bate Choir together with the sound and professional John Bate Orchestra rose well to the challenge.

Patterson's sequence of five movements explores the boundaries between sleep and dream. Jim Rose-Price's words are rather too obviously contrived to give the composer the opportunities he needs for rapturous, ecstatic and serene music without introducing the resistance against which the best work is often done. But the words suggest a work full of variety, with a march macabre, a Stravinskian motor-rhythmic finale and much atmospheric and impressionist music in between. It is very successful in suggesting the mixture of normality and abnormality of the dream state.

The soprano solo, perhaps representing the conscious self and playing no part in the more surrealist episodes, was finely sung by Ann Mackay, who delivers sweet and steady sounds without apparent effort but with surprising power and projection.

# Hang about

Alex Hamilton reviews paperbacks

**Ruth Ellis: The Last Woman to Be Hanged** by Robert Hancock (1963, Weidenfeld £4.95). Why has this wretched case been taken off the shelf, dusted off and set in motion again as an entertainment? Would Mrs Merrifield or Mrs Cristofi now be getting the treatment had they been the last in the line?

What glamour Ruth Ellis and David Blakely had for each other is long gone. What lingers in this book is a sour catalogue of the incompatibilities that precipitated the killing: the different weight they gave to their passion, their infidelities, compounded in her case by prostitution, the heavy drinking that vitiated his chances as a racing driver and ran through his money, his boorishness and the way that he knocked her about...

Hancock first wrote a version of the story for the now defunct Woman's Sunday Mirror while the trial was pending. Its editor, he says, was put out to find it to seamy and the racing motorist so ungallant. Between this, and libel and the case being sub judice, Hancock implies that he botched it first time, and that this book set the account straight.

But the complaisant "alternative lover" who wanted to marry her remains opaque. A theory is no more that sketched out that some unidentified man gave Ellis the gun and put her up to the murder. The trial itself was no contest, though the author evidently thinks the defence could have been better handled. However, it's clear from the judge's summary that if it had been perfect, it would still not have substantiated a plea of manslaughter.

Only the chance of the Home Secretary being touched by the argument that she had been driven to desperation by Blakely could have saved her. He wasn't that sort of Home Secretary, and the world reaction helped the abolitionists' case. There are now no prospects of our hanging people of either sex. Or do the makers of the film and the publishers of this book suspect otherwise?

**In Search of Schrodinger's Cat** by John Gribbin (1984, Corgi £2.95). The beast in question appears even less predictably than Carroll's Cheshire Cat, in as much as whether it is living or dead depends (in part) on whether you are looking into the theoretical box in which it is supposed to be. Of course, it is not as simple as that: we are in the world of the uncertainty principle, of quantum theory and cookery (its applications in physics). John Gribbin—a name that will be familiar to readers of Guardian Futures—takes you along the thrilling switchback of the most important scientific discoveries and speculations of this century.

**Art Politics Cinema**, ed. by Georgakas and Rubinstein (1984, Pluto Press, £7.50). Though not an addict of straight transcripts of interviews, I do welcome the collections that are made in a workshop style, of practising "artists" by professionals or enthusiasts sitting at the feet of Gamaliel, as with writers in the case of the Paris Review, or directors in the case of the magazine Cineaste.

It is a magazine with a radical political commitment (and so, incidentally, is the publisher of this choice of 33 interviews from it) and the central question is to identify the political motive(s) of each when away from the barricades

**The Roman Way** by Edith Hamilton (1934, Norton £3.95) makes no claim to scholarship. Her Romans are either those that she read for pleasure or, going on from that, to read about. And it shows.

Rome here is in one long decline to the sandpit, but what she says of the bones that Rome left there is individual and good. We read Terence in Moliere; it is Horace's Nature we see in English poetry; it is Cicero's gentleman that we think was reborn in England. And though we owe the greater and rarer art forms of classicism to the Greeks, it is from the Romans we inherit a feel for the deeper forms of romanticism.

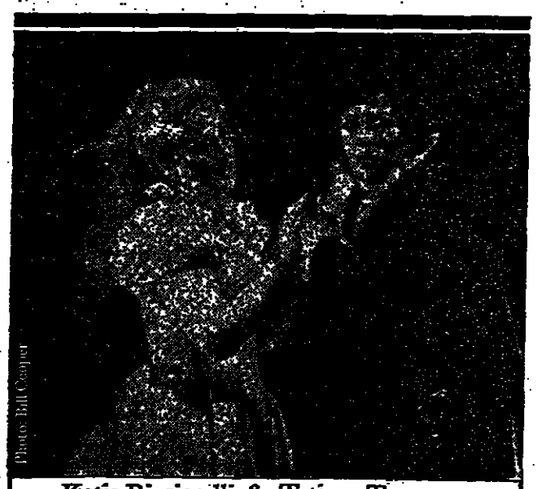



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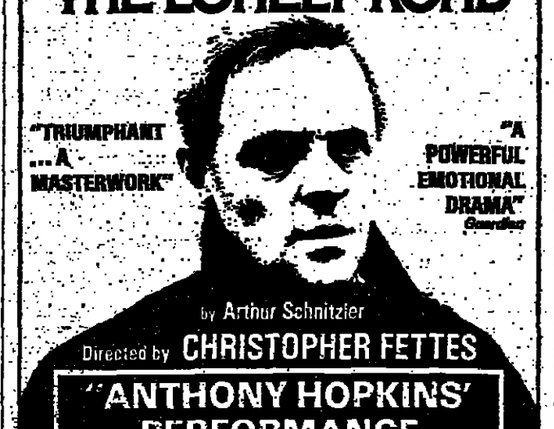
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# Surfeit of wisdom bad for the arts

In a way we blame the blessed Norman. It was Mr St John-Stevas, by his personal flamboyance and his willingness to combine a rather important job (Leader of the House) with a rather constrained one (Arts minister) who first really made the Arts Council and arts subsidies high profile news run by high profile people. Norman, because he was Norman, did a lot for the infrastructure of British culture. But it has been all downhill ever since he went.

Whitehall works in a rather simple way. Each year spending departments say what they would like to spend and the Treasury tells them what they can spend. Propositions and dispositions. Two elementary roles. But they get into a terrible tangle when the men who are asking for more money are also the policy gurus who think that everyone should be asking for less. Witness Sir Keith Joseph, student loans, and indeed the diminished state of the overall education budget. Classic departmental ministers — like Michael Heseltine or Norman Fowler — may or may not have sweeping philosophies about public expenditure. But when the MoD or the DHSS need more cash, they stow their collected works of Hayek on a bottom shelf. Sir Keith, by contrast, however innovative he may be within his allotted budget, is a wracked Samson struggling with a couple of overweight pillars. On the one hand, he believes in more scientific research. On the other hand, he doesn't believe in finding more public money to pay for it.

But, you may begin to think, compared with the arts, education is a lucky department. The arts have a budget representing the small change of a couple of months in the Falklands and a Cabinet minister of their own (the legacy of Norman). But because, legacy or no legacy, the portfolio is relatively puny, Lord Gowrie also looks after the Civil Service, the House of Lords and much Thinking in cabinet. And the thoughts about the future of Britain that he is required to think make his tiny cultural bailiwick a test tube of Mrs Thatcher's brave new world.

That might just be supportable if it stopped there. But there is the Arts Council, and its high profile chairman Sir William Rees-Mogg. Sir William is giving a lecture tonight on "The political economy of art," copies of which have been printed in extenso over the last few days. It is billed as an answer to his critics, and there are enough rotund gibes at Melvyn Bragg and Sir Peter Hall to live up to that prospectus. But the core of the address is rather different. Sir William predicts that "the next wave of neo-Conservatives will set themselves a much lower target of public expenditure." He cites state spending levels in Japan — 34.5 per cent of GDP — as the benchmark to come. "I cannot myself see how this can fail to be the next great issue of British politics." We are spared a precise diagnosis of the impact on the Riverside Studios of a return to the gold standard, but otherwise the messsage is clear enough. Because the prophet Mogg sees neo-Tory wrath to come, he wants to prepare the arts for that future now.

But what on earth has it got to do with running the Arts Council 1985? How on earth does it relate to making the case for the arts to government, or explaining the Government's case to the arts? Sir Peter Hall has a simple argument. He wants enough money to run the National Theatre. Mr Nigel Lawson has a simple problem. He is strapped for cash. But a system infected at every intermediary stage by philosopher kings is a system sliding, amid much ado, into adjectival anarchy. Why, when good, grey departmental ministers indent every week for good grey spending projects quite beyond anything we are talking of here, should the arts be saddled with a dozen competing Delphic oracles. The future of the National Theatre is not the future of Britain. The future of Japan's GDP is not the touchstone for Liverpool Playhouse's autumn season. Forget the Glory of the Garden. How about a spot of silence in the potting shed?

# Death and the airline pilot

What can explain the resonance of the case of Captain Peter Hogg, the airline pilot who killed his wife and then dumped her body in England's deepest lake where it lay undiscovered for seven years? At one level it is the element of life imitating art, enhanced by the case's Chandlerian "Lady in the Lake" tag.

But the case is more than mere entertainment. It touches some dark aspects of contemporary Britain. Part of this is to do with the sentence of three years' imprisonment for manslaughter. For the ineffable Mr Peter Bruinvels, MP, it is further proof that sentences for killing are too soft. In fact, Captain Hogg seems to have received almost a textbook term for manslaughter by reason of provocation. Three years is at the lower end of the usual tariff, but it is not a freak. What the sentence does illustrate is that homicide law which decrees that murder shall carry a mandatory life term will inevitably encourage a rather rough and ready set of sentencing principles for manslaughter. Some of these difficulties would be avoided if murder did not carry a mandatory penalty. But no Tory conference would wear such a reform, so no Tory Home Secretary is going to propose it.

In addition, the whole trial has provided further illustration of the male bias in the groundrules and assumptions pervading criminal cases where sex and domestic violence are central issues. Captain Hogg's defence, which was by no means an unusual one, was that his wife had been unfaithful to him. Her sexual behaviour was put forward as the provocation for his killing her. The court clearly accepted this argument, even if it did not condone it outright. Subsequent media coverage has also preferred to blacken Mrs Hogg, who is the victim, rather than her husband, who is the killer. Thus the balance of sympathy is directed towards the man. The judge, who like all Old Bailey judges, is also a man, accepted that Captain Hogg was a good father, even though large parts of Hogg's behaviour exceeded what is conventionally regarded as good fatherhood. And much of the coverage of the case has similarly lacked a sense of outrage.

Forty years ago, in an essay entitled Decline of the English Murder, George Orwell defined the ingredients of the homicides the English like to read about. The typical killing is domestic, Orwell suggested. Sex and the need for social respectability will be powerful themes in the drama. The killer will be a man from the professional classes. He will be a pillar of local petit bourgeois respectability and he will display the utmost cunning in his deed. He will only be caught out by some unforeseeable detail. The case will excite pity for both the victim and the killer. Orwell thought that such cases now belonged to a lost, hypocritical pre-war past (he was writing in 1946). Perhaps Orwell was premature. Might not the wife-killing by a suburban airline pilot tell us more about the moral framework of contemporary England than we care to acknowledge?

## LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

# Beg your pardon, Mr Kinnock

Sir,—Mr Kinnock has missed the point about amnesty.

He endorses the Government/NCB policy of not reinstating miners convicted of serious or violent crimes. In so doing he accepts uncritically the verdicts arrived at by the police and the courts. His endorsement of the authority of the criminal justice system neglects the whole array of political problems opened up by the policing of the strike.

There is a large body of evidence demonstrating the explicit partiality of the police and the courts against picketing and in favour of non-striking miners. The "criminalisation" of picketers, the association of mass picketing itself with "intimidation"; the civil law restrictions imposed upon the rights to strike and to picket; the Government's repeated denunciation of the strikers as "the enemy within"; the bypassing of local channels of democratic police accountability; the institution of close links between the Home Office bureaucracy and police through the National Reporting Centre; the expanded interpretations of "reasonable force" by the police and of "violence" by pickets; the Government's absolute public defence of the police and judiciary: all point to the problematic character of the present system of criminal and civil justice.

In this context, Mr Kinnock's latest blunder lies not just in his attempt to sit on the fence once again, but in his inability to focus on the democratic issues raised by the policing of the strike. It is a mark of his lack of political nose that he now treats the word of the police and courts as final on who is fit and who is not fit to be hired by the Coal Board.

Another opportunity to rouse popular support behind democratic reforms of the criminal justice system is thus thrown away by Labour's leader.

**Bob Fine.**
Department of Sociology,
University of Warwick.

Sir,— There is a curious double standard shown by those who call for a total amnesty for all strikers—what after all is a little GBH or malicious damage—while at the same time applauding the vicious campaign of hatred and persecution which is to be visited in perpetuity on so-called scabs, thir wives, and children.

Clearly the psychological make-up of socialists, with or without the "national" prefix, demands that some group—"scabs" or Jews or what you will — be the target of pathological vindictiveness.—Yours faithfully,

**D. J. Alfiat.**
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Whitewell,
Nottinghamshire.

Sir, — May I put forward the view that in the event of serious consideraion being given to reprivatising the coal-mining industry, it should be remembered that the coal itself, under our legal system, is the property of the Crown — as indeed is the whole of the land over which the Queen's writ runs.

The coal was deposited where it now lies thousands of millions of years before man made his relatively recent appearance on earth. Coal cannot belong to any individual landlord.

Mining buildings, machinery and equipment, however, are man-made artefacts which have cost capital to manufacture and have owners.

If the right to mine the nation's coal in a specified area is to be franchised to a particular company or individual, it must be on the basis that the man-made assets are sold to them for cash, and the Government receives on behalf of the British people a substantial royalty on the proceeds of sale of the coal extracted, which should be treated as a receipt on account of capital in the Government's accounts. — Yours faithfully,

**Oliver Smedley.**
Duck Street.
Wendens Ambo, Essex.

Sir, — David Hearst (Guardian, March 5) is quite wrong to suggest that the future of men at Kellingley Colliery "is by no means certain" because of a comparison of productivity with the new Selby mines. By this criterion, every miner's future — apart from the few at Selby — would be uncertain.

Other new mines and our much modernised older mines will, with varying degrees of success, aim to match the sort of productivity achievable at Selby. We would not expect most of our mines to get there, but that will not put them at risk while they are efficient within their own limitations of age, reserves, and equipment.

Nor is it true that Selby "will soon produce more coal than all the other coalfields combined." The planned output for Selby on completion at the end of the decade is 10 million tonnes a year, with the possibility of increasing that target by one or two million tonnes. We see that as representing something like 10 per cent of the output of a successful, expanding British coal industry.

Stillingfleet Mine, which Mr Hearst credits with outstripping Kellingley's output, has not yet opened its first coalface and has only limited production from tunnelling operations. The only Selby mine to come into partial production — Wistow — is still some way from reaching *its own target* output of two million tonnes a year.

Selby is without doubt going to be the jewel in the Yorkshire coalfield's crown. But we have many other mines which, with a continuing proper investment, will be providing secure employment and playing a major part in building an efficient, low-cost coal industry for many years ahead. — Yours faithfully,

**Fred Sanderson.**
National Coal Board,
Doncaster, S Yorkshire.

# Not so much a bomb Schell more a myth explosion

Sir,—To those who have read The Abolition (sic) by Jonathan Schell, his support of the Strategic Defence Initiative (Guardian, March 7) will come as no surprise. Such defensive, *non-nuclear* weapons form an essential part of his proposal for the total abolition of nuclear weaponry, by negotiation.

Because of continuing distrust and the limits of any surveillance systems, there might remain, after the removal of all detectable nuclear weapons, the chance that a few could be concealed or rebuilt clandestinely.

The existence of large, non-nuclear defensive capacities would ensure that such limited concealed weapons could not be decisive, and thus there would be little temptation to use them. Schell also proposes the retention of the capacity rapidly to rebuild nuclear weapons, as a form of massive if delayed deterrence.

Such a world would be a good deal safer than if our present 50,000 trigger-ready weapons were "frozen" into place, awaiting some further idea or rebuilding of trust, before they could be cut back to a less absurd number. An accident or miscalculation may well occur sooner.

But the worst of all possible situations would be the one so clearly described by E.P. Thompson (Guardian, February 18) where strategic defences are used solely to protect nuclear weaponry, thereby forcing each side to expand its nuclear arsenal. It remains to be seen what Reagan, Weinberger, and Pearle have in mind for us — and I am inclined to fear the worst. But in the meantime politicians and negotiators of all nuclear countries should be persuaded to read and consider Schell's proposal.—Yours sincerely,

**Roger Franklin.**
Tickmorend House,
Horsley, Gloucestershire.

Sir,—Alex Brummer's report on Jonathan Schell's support for the concept of strategic defence, or star wars as it is better known, rather overstated Schell's role within the American freeze movement.

If Schell is the "intellectual powerhouse" behind the freeze, what can one make of such figures as Senator Mark Hatfield or Randall Forsberg? I heard much about them at the US freeze conference last December, but nothing about Schell. Perhaps it would be more accurate to say that Schell's book, the Fate of the Earth, was a major "publicity factor" in launching the freeze.

The lesson to be learned is that the idea of star wars is becoming acceptable. Mrs Thatcher has been converted, at least in public, and it is surprising just how many "people in the street" also accept the idea without further thought.

The main argument against star wars, apart from the obvious ones of unnecessary cost and technical feasibility, is that when such a system is coupled with highly accurate and fast nuclear weapons, one side will perceive that the other is developing a first-strike system. Even without fast and accurate weapons, a strategy for nuclear blackmail would be possible. It is these perceived, rather than real, intentions that matter.

Star wars will lead to anti-ballistic and antisatellite systems being deployed by both sides. In addition there will be a drive for more sophisticated offensive weapons, and a computerisation of response to perceived attack.

We are now entering a new phase of the nuclear arms race. Rather than being obsolete, the idea of a nuclear freeze is now urgent and indispensable. Imagine the difference that steps like a worldwide freeze on star wars and on nuclear testing would have on the new talks between the US and USSR.

Without such steps, it is hard to have much hope for the fate of the earth.—Yours faithfully,

**(Dr) Will Howard.**
British Nuclear Weapons
FREEZE,
Bristol.

# Seed of doubt

Sir, — In your Leader of March 5 you describe Lord Bridge's inquiry into the abuse of surveillance guidelines as an "onanistic quickie." Do you mean the inquiry is a piece of expedience comparable to the one performed by Onan, son of Judah, on his brother's widow (Genesis 38), or a process causing those involved to go blind?

In the past we have looked to you leaders for examples of precise and decent English.—Yours faithfully,

**Colin George.**
Wickham,
Hampshire.

# Miscellany at large

Sir,—May I comment on the argument between Alan Protheroe of the BBC (Letters, March 2) and Antony Easthope which has raised the issue of a letter sent by myself to the BBC board of governors on April 2, 1981. The letter—signed by more than 100 MPs, trade union leaders, and academics—requested that the BBC present a series of programmes on the issue of bias on television, in which television's critics could show their evidence in detail. Now of course the BBC replied to this in the sense that it wrote back; but it has not allowed the body of evidence to be shown, and indeed the chairman of the board of governors explicitly ruled *out either himself* or the director-general instructing that such programmes should be made.

They did not respond in this sense, and it was only after intense pressure that eventually the BBC allowed a few minutes of commentary on our work to precede a Man Alive debate in July 1982. Since the BBC insisted even here in controlling the terms of the debate as well as having final control over what was shown, we did not regard this as an acceptable "reply."—Yours sincerely,

**Greg Philo.**
Glasgow University Media Group.

Sir, — *Donald Field* (Guardian March 5) compares the representation of women in three of the Scandinavian countries (average 27 per cent) with that in the House of Commons (4.3 per cent) but fails to explain the reason for the discrepancy. This doesn't derive from the level of emancipation enjoyed by their respective women, but from their voting systems.

Not only in enlightened Scandinavian countries, but also in less feminist Italy and Switzerland, which latter only gave the vote to women in 1971, there are more women MPs than at Westminster. All these countries have proportional systems of voting, while we have "first-past-the-post," ie however many candidates, only one may be elected.

With only one exception each way, each democracy with a proportional representation system has more women in its parliament than each country with a system like ours. This is because a party which is reluctant to select a woman as its only candidate, will readily select her as one of a team in a constituency with more than one candidate.—I am, yours, etc.

**Laura Grimond.**
(President, Women's Liberal Federation),
London W 4.

Sir, — As an MP's permanent employee, I object strongly to the proposal that we should be vetted. There are plenty of rules already that limit our access to and mobility within the Palace of Westminster; some of these rules hamper our work, and we are used to hearing the word "security" when we *question them.*

In my experience MPs are careful about whom they employ as permanent staff, and the final decision on whom they wish to work with should rest with them. — Yours faithfully,

**Nora Macleod.**
Lindfield, Sussex.

# The facts of hereditary life




Sir, — I did not make my maiden speech in the House of Lords on the same day that I took my seat (Guardian, March 5). In fact I took my seat on January 22 and made my maiden speech on January 23.

*While it is true that the* bulk of advice was that I should wait some time before making my maiden speech, I did in fact receive some encouragement from fellow back-bench peers to speak in the debate on Labour's alternative to the present Government's policy. I felt it particularly important to try to explain to their lordships how mass unemployment, fostered by this disastrous Government, affects all of us who work in British industry.

I was gratified by the number of people who wrote to me after that debate, thanking me for speaking up for them.

I would also like to point *out that I automatically* became Lord Monkswell on the death of my father. I did not have to "reclaim the title" but, like every other peer by inheritance, I had to prove my pedigree to the satisfaction of the Lord Chancellor in order to take my seat in the House of Lords.

It is true that I do not see the House of Lords as "merely a revising chamber for legislation passed by the Commons." The constitutional position is that the Lords and the Commons have virtually the same powers, with some exceptions: for example, the Commons has no role as a judicial appeal court, and the Lords may not impede the progress of a "money bill" (one that deals with taxation).

In practice the Lords has an in-built Tory majority so that, to enable Labour governments to function, the fiction has been accepted that the Lords will not emasculate legislation passed by the Commons. In fact the Lords will not upset the actions of a Labour government as long as those actions do not upset the power and wealth of the people who sustain the Tory Party.

However, the next Labour government will have to take radical action to sort out the *mess* being created by the present Tory Government. This will involve taking power and wealth from the backers of the Tories, and they will object. No "gentlemens' agreement" will survive the action that is necessary.—Yours sincerely,

**(Lord) Monkswell.**
House of Lords.

# A COUNTRY DIARY

KESWICK: Two swallows may, or may not make a summer; but what makes a spring? The last Sunday in February was spring-like, fetching out an ice-cream van — doing good business — and skin divers to the shore of Derwentwater. One elderly lady, having sunk to a viewpoint seat, announced: "There now, I've lived in Keswick 27 years and this is the first time I've got to Friars' Crag." The last day of the month was warm and sunny, too, with scores of honey bees on the flowering heaths and the widely open faces of the small violet crocuses. March 1 put everything back in place in a bitter wind and, by evening, a new dusting of snow on the fells but all the quirks of the weather cannot halt the quiet advance of spring. There is a half-forgotten — certainly neglected — well-spring in the outskirts of the town which long ago was visted for its medicinal properties — or so my grandmother asserted. I went there last week with a friend through an empty gateway in an iron fence, down a slippery path to halfway between the busy road and the river. The spring flows from under the roots of ancient ash trees, guarded by brambles and a vicious little gooseberry bush. Its boulder back is rebuilt, its slate roof still in place and three slate steps go down to the river. Even here where the sun seldom reaches, the earth is greening. Carpets of strong green liverwort hug the mud and celandine leaves, no flowers yet, reflect the light from their fresh shining surfaces. A blackbird sang in the sun over the river.

*ENID J. WILSON*

# Some Prior thoughts that 'Chairman' Tebbit will be raising



Hugo Young

MR NORMAN TEBBIT can hardly wait to become chairman of the Conservative Party. It is a job which seems perfectly suited to his special talents. Of all parties the Tories, as befits one of the most professional political organisations in the free world, are thinking earlier than anyone about the next election. None has a clearer view of the matter than Mr Tebbit. If the call should come, as most people expect, he will be ready.

Mr Tebbit is not what you would call a political philosopher. There are times when he makes Mrs Thatcher sound like a Disraeli among savants. By comparison with him, Mr Heseltine looks rather like Thomas Jefferson, and Mr Walker could even be Aristotle. When it comes to ideas, Mr Tebbit has an exceedingly simple view of the world: that once every trace of the cancer of socialistic nonsense has been eradicated, government will just about have completed its task.

The British Government still has a long way to go in that direction, and the great strength Mr Tebbit brings is unswerving belief with total immersion in the politics of winning. Reports of his newfound moderation are as exaggerated as those of his complete recovery from the Brighton bomb — although he looks as though, rather painfully, he is getting there. Most misleading would be any suggestion that his horrific experience last October has induced in him any distracting interest in the higher things of life. For Mr Tebbit there is hardly any higher *thing* than Thatcher's Fourth Term.

Thus as party chairman, he would become Mrs Thatcher's partner-in-harness: the first person she has put in the job for 10 years who was not too old, too young, too sycophantic; certainly the first with any kind of charisma, in Conservative circles, to match her own. And he would have a plan.

*This would be, in essence,* to devote maximum Conservative attention to destroying the political base of the Liberal-SDP Alliance. Gone would be the earlier strategy of lofty indifference, and the concentration of attack on the Labour Party. For a man like Mr Tebbit, the Alliance presents salivating opportunities.

In particular, the determination of Dr David Owen that the Alliance should pretend to nothing more than holding the balance of power looks like a gift. One can see the Tebbit rapier swishing through the air, first from the right, then from the left. So which side will you back, David? Are you still a socialist, or are you really a Tory? Are you seriously expecting to decide the outcome of the next election with the smallest number of seats? And what about your friend David Steel? Is he going to pretend to be a Tory too, in some circumstances?

No man in England has a greater command of finely calculated—and it always is finely calculated—political derision. Norman works very hard on the big speeches, and as chairman he could make them a full-time job. What Conservative could fail to be delighted at the prospect of such a heavyweight coming into his own?

THE ANSWER is, very many; for Mr Tebbit's appointment would be a signal. there are some who talk about the job as if it were indoor relief for a man who needs to get rid of his intolerable departmental schedule. This is a generous but mistaken reading. Chairman Tebbit, beside Prime Minister Thatcher would send out a message which would *terrify a significant number of* Conservative MPs. They do not think it speaks to the condition in which they expect to find themselves in 1987.

That condition is now masked. One of the great oddities of current politics is that the two major everyday battles during the last year, and next, will have almost nothing to do with the next election. The miners' strike and the rate-capping confrontation bring out the fighting Thatcher — as she reminded us yet again on Saturday with images of victorious combat which would turn town halls into arenas worthy of the pen of A. J. Liebling, or some other journalistic master of the heavyweight ring. By 1987 this era will have passed.

The miners' strike, epic though it was, will be of marginal electoral importance. It was essential for the Government not to be beaten. The outcome will have depressing effects for trade union power generally. There is quite a lot for the Government to crow about. But it is essentially a negative triumph. There's little to show for victory in the way of jobs, or prosperity, or anything else that makes people feel *good about* government. And there were plenty of bad side-effects; some brutal police behaviour; a sunken pound, vast economic loss: an impression that the Government, for so long, was not fully in charge of the country.

But the particular deception brought about by the miners' strike concerns the Conservative Party. It was an issue on which the party was entirely united. It therefore had the welcome tendency to bury issues on which the party is *not* united — in particular, economic policy. With a few eccentric exceptions, the strike gave the Chancellor a year of relative immunity from internal attack. At the election, coal will not be the issue.

All the struggles with local authorities are of equally peripheral significance. They will continue, to the point of utter tedium, to dominate the lives of many ministers, the Prime Minister's not least. And while here the Tory Party has not been so united as over the miners, such triumphs as it has will be completely uninspiring. How many votes are there in a capped rate or an abolished metropolitan county—especially when for most citizens the rates go up anyway?

Seen by the average Tory MP, therefore, Conservatism in its fighting mode has a limited lifespan. The battles may have been unavoidable, but they are not the whole of politics. The victories are *only a means to an end. The* heads of Arthur Scargill and Ken Livingstone may be speared on the railings of Westminster, but what MPs think they need, to keep their seats, are some results: in particular, a four-year economic recovery which is made manifest in a few corners of the kingdom beyond the statistical tables of the Chancellor of the Exchequer.

The other thing they could do with is some variation of tone: some embellishment, some deepening, even some positive alteration of the voice in which Conservative politics has been proclaimed for the past six years. One of the first people to think about this was the owner of that voice, Mrs Thatcher herself. At the beginning of her second term, she worried that the public might get bored with her and she vowed—or so I was told by one of her intimates—to work on the problem.

But prime ministers don't have much time to act out such thoughts, and no politician in their late 50s can expect to change personality. Mrs Thatcher shows no sign of having even tried. And so she is paying a price. Her personal rating in the opinion polls is dropping quite fast. Scargill, alas, turns out not to be another Galtieri. The people continue to see their leader as being woefully out of touch with their own lives.

THE ELEVATION of Mr Tebbit, in these circumstances, is the opposite of what a conventional political leader would propose. He is an alter-Tatcher; he adds no extra dimension, but is fashioned even more narrowly in her own image. The message he would signal is *that Conservatism continues* to consis of unremitting battle.

Conservatism, of course, consists of more than battle. It can talk about community and can act as though it has as much time for the meek as for the privileged, for failure as for success. Large tracts of its ideas and its voters are entirely unTebbilike. Inside the great raw of Thatcherism, another tradition still struggles to get out. The fact that it has been so comprehensively quashed since 1979, and uttered almost into shame and silence since 1983, could by no means be mistaken for its extinction.

As time goes on, Mrs Thatcher will stand in greater need of this other voice. So will more and more Conservative MPs who begin to wonder uncomprehendingly how they can expect to retain their seats behind a leadership which knows no other language than that of abrasive defiance — coupled with the increasingly unattractive pretence that the failures of modern government are till not theirs to answer for.

Mrs Thtcher finds this switch personally impossible. She has sown few signs of recognisin its wider importance for the party: witness her willingness to let Mr Prior leve politics. The party chairmanship offers one more opportunity. Will she abanon the habits of a decade? Or does she still only fee safe not merely with "one of us," but with one of her very own?



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*Set-up picture in a Sudan relief camp*

The images of misery in the Sudan that so moved the world were, as Nick Cater reports, sometimes got by dubious methods

# After the flood of refugees, a plague of journalists

THE freelance photographers are the worst; we had one bastard here, a Japanese, who spent three hours crouched by an old woman so he could get a picture of her death." This is Peter Beavis, a VSO worker at the receiving end of media attention in Wad Sherife, a refugee camp in the latest country to feel the pressures of "disaster journalism," Sudan.

At $150 a night, the Khartoum Hilton is already crowded with television teams. The legendary Acropole Hotel — Sudan's best bargain at £20 sterling full board — is booked solid with the aid workers they will soon be filming.

Sudan is bracing itself not only for a potentially disastrous famine and a flood of maybe 1.5 million refugees but also for a plague of journalists and the impact their stories will have on the government, donor countries and their publics, and the aid agencies trying to avert a catastrophe.

The big aid organisations, such as he UN High ommission for Refugees, already have their word processors installed, information officers flying in from Nairobi or New York, and regular briefings and press trips. At the other end of the scale, the overworked staff of small voluntary groups has to try to learn media relations as they go along.

The words and pictures, the motive for their selection and philosophy of their presentation, are far more important than merely questions of image to agency chiefs in Khartoum, like Samir Basta of Unicef, the UN Children's Fund.

Unicef has to be media conscious because its money comes not from the UN but from governments and the public, and one of Basta's worries last week was how to help improve coverage in the US, where confusion following Reagan's campaign against Unesco lost Unicef millions of dollars.

For a start, Unicef stole a march on other agencies by ambushing the 100 or so American journalists following vice president George Bush on his Sudan visit with a painstakingly prepared information pack on Unicef's development work and emergency appeal and the offer of briefings or interviews.

That attention to detail pays off, but it is beyond the resources in Khartoum of Oxfam or Save the Children, which are probably the most immediately affected by media coverage of Sudan's disaster and their efforts to fight it in the eastern refugee camps and drought areas of the west.

But Andrew Timpson and Nick Winer, Sudan directors for Save the Children and Oxfam, are both well aware that the self-important strangers who turn up wanting tea, information and free plane trips around Africa's largest country, are essential if millions of pounds are to be raised back home.

Timpson said: "It's not just the money they help bring in; television is also providing a forceful education for the public. But I'm concerned that the television may not be moving on from showing starving children to reporting on the rehabilitation and development work in agriculture that can prevent starvation.

"The people giving money to Save the Children are asking what we will be doing next, how we will continue to help after this famine is over. It's that kind of public awareness about the issues that television should be keeping up with."

It was this concern to widen the issues beyond stopping starvation, to agricultural development, soil conservation, water resources, health, education and a great deal more, that led many British aid agencies until recently to avoid the use of skeletal famine victims in their own advertising appeals for funds.

Journalists are not all oblivious to such issues. "Most of the teams who come here," Andrew Timpson says, "seem to understand the need to consider the causes and solutions, but some complain to me that they can't get anything except the shock pictures past their news editors."

He added: "There has been some incredible media coverage on the African drought, some fantastic professionalism, but editors and news editors must be more willing to let their reporters cover the bigger story."

Some do not wait for permission, as Peter Beavis discovered. "One photographer came here and did a marvellous job. His boss at the agency gave him strict instructions not to stay more than a day, but this guy took one look and stayed three weeks."

Their fear is that too much superficial coverage will mean audiences losing interest, when Sudan's problems have only just begun. Says Timpson: "At the moment we're getting a lot of attention, particularly for the eastern refugees, though there hasn't been a great deal of coverage of western Sudan, where the problems are more serious.

"But the real crisis will come this summer, and I wonder whether the television teams will still be here. I'll know who the best journalists are: they'll be the ones who come back three months or six months after that, to see whether we did any good."

Timpson has seen how media attention and public pressure can influence agencies to work in "high profile" areas, like refugees or famine relief, when their interests and expertise suit more low level or long term work, even if it lacks the publicity glamour of a disaster.

Winer is equally concerned about the mutual parasitism — of media and agency. "The press and TV must realise how linked they are to our efforts. When they pick one thing out of a complex situation and splash horrible pictures of starving children over the screens, they have an enormous impact.

"That brings intense public interest, asking us 'what are you doing there to help?' And because the media can't keep splashing the same horrible pictures from the same place, we can end up with the media leading us around by the nose.

"The coverage can obviously have a positive effect when it increases contributions to our work, but it can be negative if it begins to dictate what or where that work will be."

The media have to realise and accept the responsibilities that come with their power in times of catastrophe, says Winer, for they can help prevent future disasters by simply covering the story well: explaining the "hows" and "whys," in ways that will foster an awareness of environment and development that will then pay off for the Third World.

# Media File.....

BEFORE I tell you about this remarkable conversation I overheard in a pub just off Oxford Street, W1, last week, you should recall that the people who sell advertising airtime for the ITV companies are in a bit of a tizz these days. Audiences for commercial television have shot up, but the cash coming in from advertisers has not — the ungrateful bounders are arguing that they can now reach all the goggling consumers they need with fewer commercials.

The programme people are doing their best—ITV's latest ploy is to pull six big movies out of their upcoming Spring schedule and stick in second-runs, to get the audience figures down! You can imagine how well that has gone down.

Meanwhile, the advertising sales directors of ITV have these several months past been finding themselves in the unwanted position of shuffling into board meetings to report that some of the golden-egged goose has gone unseasonally broody. And at a time when some of their old ways of squeezing an even better yield have fallen foul of the OFT and such.

At which point, however, the sales director of Thames Television, Tony Logie, quits, leaving vacant what might once have seemed like one of the plum jobs in a ripe business — Big Five company, seat on the board, and all that. His deputy stands in, and the head-hunters are sent for.

At which point, too, here I am in this West End pub, contemplating a glass of something red and Spanish, coupled with the finances of the BBC:, and those two chaps bounce in, in mid-flow. Which goes something like this: "Frankly, I'm not going to stay in this game for ever, either, but it's an expensive time, with the kids going through school. But of course I've been headhunted, just as you have, and I said to them: 'Look, I'm happy here, I'm not sure I'd be happy with those people, and unless you can make me wealthy, forget it.' I mean what's an extra 15K if you're on sixty grand? I said 'we're talking about a £50,000 signing-on fee.' They seemed rather shocked."

Can't think why. Can't think what job they were talking about, either. But I could now tell you the state of morale and psychological quirks of several of the top sellers in ITV, viewed from just behind their backs, did the law and decency permit. Can't wait to see who gets the Thames job, though. Funny thing was, it wasn't my regular watering-hole either. It's tough at the top.

"THE PRACTICE of turning a reader's letter into an interview without further reference to the writer is undesirable."

"It is improper to attribute to a person being interviewed words used by the reporter which are not those chosen by the person being interviewed."

"When dealing with experts, great care should be taken by newspapers to quote the exact words spoken."

Wot me, guv? Indeed. This random sample of some of journalism's pettier misdemeanours all come from one page of a 200-page catalogue of such matters, and if that taste of the section headed Interviews whets your appetite, wait till you turn over and get to Intrusion.

The publication is Principles For The Press, a digest of Press Council decisions from 1953 to 1984, assembled by Noel Paul, who was on the council's staff from 1964 to 1979 and its director for most of that time. It is not, in fact, a racy read, each of those potted judgments comes with a reference to the full details of the case and judgment in the council's annual reports and press releases. And not all the judgments went against the press.

The council sees it as a tool for editors and journalists, I suspect it will be more thumbed by their critics and victims and their learned friends. No matter, a clear and thorough reference work, available from the Press Council, No. 1 Salisbury Square, London EC4Y 8AE, at £9.95.

**Peter Fiddick**
**Media editor**



*Hands across the channels — LA (left) and Seoul mascots*

Steve Richard on the five-ring circus over Olympic television rights

# Lining up for the billion dollar games

SOME Americans, who like to plan well ahead, are predicting that 1992 will be the first-ever "pay-for-view Olympics" with revenues for US cable television approaching $1 billion, and concomitant reduction for the networks.

Whether the host country is Spain, France, the UK or any other in Europe will not affect the dogfight for what has become the most competitively sought television prize in world sport.

The record fee for television rights is the $309 million already agreed by ABC for the 1988 Winter Games at Calgary, expected to be seen by 1.5 billion viewers worldwide.

The next Olympic jackpot, expected shortly, will be the fees for the Seoul Summer Games later in 1988, but after that the big three US networks — ABC, CBS, NBC — are expected to cry halt to increased fees. Enough will have become enough.

The warning that the US Olympic "philanthropists" would soon buck at being a crutch for the rest of the world, by paying about 80 per cent of total television fees for 10 per cent of the international audience, was given on this page after the Los Angeles games by Roone Arledge, president of ABC News and Sport.

Arledge's misgivings were reinforced recently by Neil Pilson, executive vice-president of CBS Broadcast Group, speaking to sports media, finance, marketing and construction executives at the sixth International Sports Summit at the World Trade Centre in New York.

He warned that not only are advertisers and sponsors signalling they have had enough of financing "dramatic increases in rights fees" but that "Wall Street and the investment community are becoming increasingly concerned about over-extension and risk taking in the sports television area."

Enter the first Pay-TV Olympics — or, at first, the arrangements for such a sports media revolution.

Barry Frank of International Management Group then argues that 1988 was going to be the last Olympics seen primarily on free home television in the US. He said: "The 1992 Games will be the first major pay-for-view television event, perhaps with $100 season tickets to see the major Olympic activity.

It was Frank, as a senior corporate vice-president of IMG — then media adviser to the Calgary Organising Committee — who led the negotiations in the $309 million agreement with ABC. He is currently talking across the same negotiating table on behalf of the South Korean organisers.

"By 1992 there will be approximately 100 million television homes in the US and by then it's expected that cable penetration will be about 70 per cent," his argument goes.

"If it is known sufficiently far in advance that major events such as Olympic Games will be seen on pay TV it is anticipated that 40 per cent of those 70 million homes — 28 million — could have pay-for-view capability by 1992.

"If you also assume that about one third of those (over nine million) might be expected to subscribe to a season ticket for many of the major events at the Olympics, costing, for example, $100, that would be close to $1 billion in revenue."

Frank pointed out that, even after paying 35-40 per cent of the revenues to the cable operator, plus meeting satellite signal costs, "you are still looking at an immense amount."

CBS Network, not surprisingly, does not support the Frank prophecy. He has worked on both sides of the negotiating table in nearly 30 years in the sports television business.

CBS's Pilson, who also has a strong background in sports television, told the Sports Summit: "Pay-for-view sport is not working . . . many of you may be thinking pay TV is right around the corner and will pick up where network television leaves off. I don't think so.

"For planning purposes, the crucial period is the next five years when every major sports television contract will be up for negotiation. Nothing will happen in pay TV in that time which will impact on network sports."

Perhaps not. But by the early 1990s? It is certain that if the pay TV revolution does emerge as a serious profit threat to the networks, the Olympics can only benefit financially from being able to command two sets of rights fees, even if the broadcast network share drops for one reason or another.

Hugh Thompson gets the picture of one city's press wars

# Fighting over the Bristol cream

THE national trends in media are easy to see. Television's share of advertising goes on growing. Radio is beginning to take a foothold. Fleet Street's national titles are forever on the march and free weekly papers have gone from nowhere to take £200 millions in ad revenue in the last 10 years. The squeeze is on for the local and regional daily and evening newspapers.

That may be the national picture. But in the less economically devastated areas of Britain like Bristol, the picture is not quite so straightforward.

Bristol is a "small big city" with a population of nearly half a million. It has escaped the worst ravages of the recession, not only by being a regional service centre but by enjoying an influx of financial institutions and high tech companies.

Today, far from going under, the 53 year old Bristol United Press, which publishes the Western Daily Press and the Bristol Evening Post, is claiming circulation gains. With its eight edition Observer series of local free sheets the group dominates the freebie market.

Against that, the local television station HTV cannot sell all its airtime, free sheets have come and gone and the only remaining free opposition, the Bristol Journal, struggles under its new owner, Eastern Counties. The local commercial radio station, Radio West, has only just been brought back from the dead.

Yet only four years ago Associated newspapers thought BUP was "such a soft touch" that it made an abortive attempt at a takeover bid. Today Associated still owns 30 per cent of the shares. Understandably this group seemed a good buy, for it sits on top of a local media pile which has an advertising potential of around £50 million a year.

The newspaper group has not, however retained its dominance without a struggle. There have been bitter union battles in going over to photocomposition and into tabloid format. The cost was not only hundreds of thousands lost in copies and revenue but hefty redundancy payments. And only now, ten years after the move into its purpose built premises is it moving into the kinds of profit its investment deserves.

Today the Press sells 66,000 every morning, the Post 111,000 and the Observer series is put through 200,000 letter boxes each week. Last year the group turned over £37 million of which two thirds was in advertising revenue.

"We have not been complacent. The changes we have made have not been easy but they had to be made. There is room for all kinds of media in a town as vibrant as Bristol but the strength and credibility of editorially strong paid-for titles is, if anything, growing" says BUP director David Hendry.

With its new printing capacity the Observer free sheets can now come out in eight local editions and others are planned, as they are for the Evening Post. Small wonder therefore that last June, after seven years, Oxford-based Free Newspapers sold its 100,000 circulation Bristol Journal to Ipswich-based Eastern Counties *Ltd.* for a reported £1.25 millions.

The Journal's newly-appointed editor, Derek Gallop, says "Our first priority is to secure what we have, and then we can think of expanding." However, in two of the biggest sectors of local advertising, property and cars, the Journal even after seven years has made no impression at all. "We are nibbling away at the institution of the BUP," says Journal ad manager Nick Catlin.

One way of nibbling away has been to link up with the commercial radio station, Radio West, to offer a "unique" press and radio combined service for job advertising. It is hoped that this will boost the income of both — at present neither turns over more than £1 million.

It is 18 months nearly since John Bradford returned to his home town, having run Radio Tees and Mercia Sound, to run the then "total disaster" of Radio West. Losses were running at £363,000 a year, audience was only around 20 per cent of the potential reach and Bradford says "worse than that, we had a total lack of local credibility."

By cutting staff and office space, putting on audience and advertising, the station thinks this year it will break even and if, as Bradford hopes, the figures this summer show a 50 per cent audience increase, then next year could see a profit.

Not before time, since the original shareholders have seen every pound invested now valued at 20p.

At present Bradford is negotiating with neighbouring Radio Wiltshire to see if there is some way sales and administration costs can be shared. "The important thing is to get the money you spend in front of the microphone not in the back office," he says.

Overshadowing everything is television. Tony Rees is the Bristol-based regional sales manager of HTV. He says "Last year we took around £1.5 million in local Bristol revenue. This year we are 50 per cent up. But we don't compete with the newspapers—we coexist. In this town the two media are compatible. Channel 4 is very small beer, and we compete more with other television stations than with the local press."

Editorial standards apart, Bristol's local press has survived intact for a number of reasons. First the area is prosperous. The city is also one which can be covered with one evening title and, therefore, leaves little room for others to come in. It is also very established, which forces up the ante for any would-be rival. Similarly in towns such as Norwich and Portsmouth the established evening papers have flourished.

"We believe that there is a balance between all the different media in this town," says BUP's Hendry. At present, the balance is all very much on his side.



*John Bradford — the important thing is to get the money you spend out in front of the microphone*

# The bang that left Britain shaken, not stirred

Peter Fiddick picks up the strands after Threads



*David Brierley caged in Threads — few changed their minds*

ON Sunday night, September 23, 1984, the bomb exploded over Sheffield, and the long nuclear winter set in. Now the fall-out has started: Threads, the post-nuclear drama written by Barry Hines, produced and directed by Mick Jackson, and screened that night by the BBC as the long-needed replacement for The War Game, has in the past month won three major awards, at Monte Carlo, from the Broadcasting Press Guild, and, last week, from the British Academy Of Film And Television Arts. There will be more, and they will be well deserved for this rare fusion of chilling drama and state-of-the-art political debate.

But if the recognition of its significance and skills are the fall-out, what was the impact? Who watched it? Who cared? Did it change anything?

Television, after all, is supposed to be the most powerful medium of communication in the world, and Threads was shown at a time of heightened concern with the superpowers' stand-off in general and Britain's role in particular. When, next night, the documentary On The Eighth Day took up the nuclear winter theme, and Newsnight held a special discussion to pick through the issues, the Government ducked out of being officially defended on either the scientific or civil defence levels. Nearly six months later, with the re-elected Ronald Reagan talking more dovelike, Greenham has slipped from the headlines, Molesworth has not replaced it, Mr Heseltine can tell the world he was in a flak-jacket only because he had forgotten his mack, and Sheffield is no whit less vulnerable than it has ever been.

Yet Threads and On The Eighth Day are not so easily dismissed. For one thing, they do now exist, to be shown again, and who can say what effects they might still have? But that whole two-day nuclear package on BBC-2 has been the subject of a major audience research study aimed at showing not just who watched, but how — if at all — they were changed by the experience.

The picture which emerges is one of widespread interest, of the pulling power of drama rather than straight documentary, of the importance of a programme which relates to our own society, like Threads: the American special The Day After, seen on ITV by more people, moved them less. There are distinct signs that those who were not worried about the present state of the nuclear world tended not to watch. But it is pretty clear — from the research, as well as from the evident lack of panic or protest in the intervening six months — that very few who did find their minds troubled by the programmes would be moved to any sort of action.

The author of the research report — which runs to 50 pages, with as much again in documentation of the methods — is Michael Svennevig, then with the BBC's audience research department, now a research officer with the IBA. Collating special surveys carried out by Marplan, before, between, and after the screenings of Threads and On The Eighth Day, together with the BBC's own audience research, and the IBA's previous work on response to The Day After, his report is able to probe attitudes and shifts in unusual detail.

We already knew from the BARB Top Ten charts that Threads drew a big audience: nearly 7 millions on average for its nearly two-hour duration, with 4 millions right through, and 9 millions watching some part of it. That is lower than achieved by The Day After, with an 11.3 millions average. But 63 per cent of Marplan's viewers of Threads had also seen The Day After, and overwhelmingly—by four to one—they said the British programme was better.

The BBC's analysis also shows how relatively few people responded to the idea of the two-night "nuclear package": On The Eighth Day was seen by an average of just over 2 million viewers on the Monday night, and only some 1.5 millions saw both the documentary and Threads. Clearly, the appetite is limited, and the Svennevig analysis finds that there is a distinct element of self-selection in the audience too: among those who did tune in, twice as many were predisposed to unilateral disarmament, for instance, as among the population at large.

Even so, that leaves the majority of viewers as having come to the programmes favouring multilateral or deterrent policies, and the largest changes in opinion revealed — among the one in six who said their views did change — were an increased worry about a nuclear war involving Britain, and increased support for unilateral disarmament.

And yet, in spite of all the emphasis on the nuclear winter thesis and other hazards, most viewers afterwards still saw radiation as the main risk from nuclear explosion. And there were signs that, through the period of before-and-after Threads polling, worries and interest increased (though rather less) among those who didn't watch the programmes at all. Were the trailers enough?

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INFORMATION SERVICES DEPARTMENT

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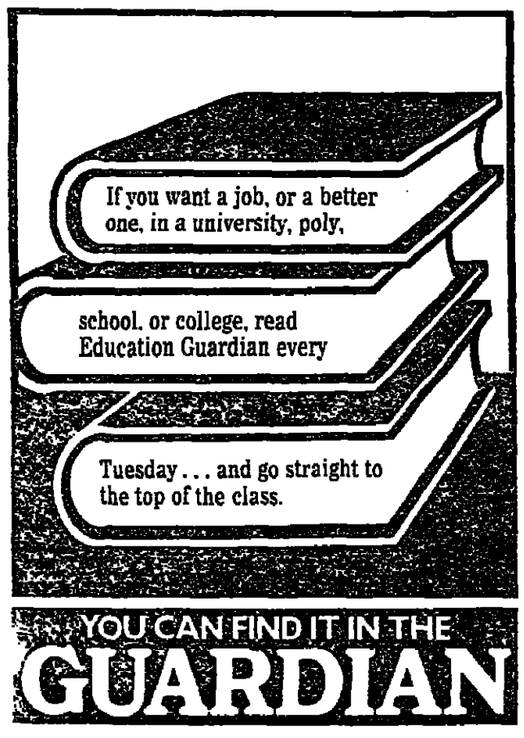
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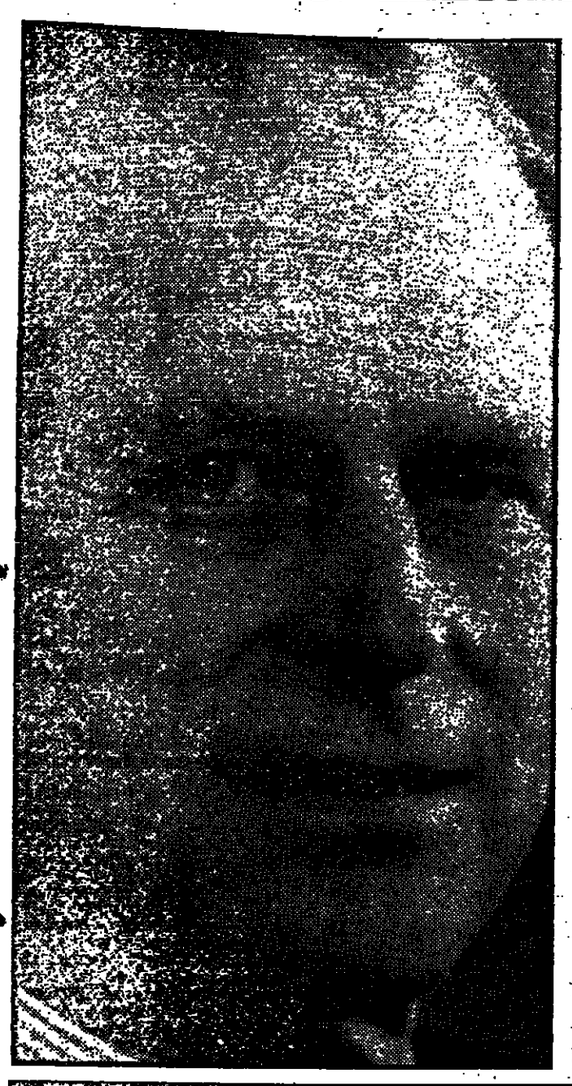
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TERRY COLEMAN crosses swords with the Duke of Edinburgh only 125 miles from Timbuktu

# Where man is the truly endangered species



IN A dead forest with not a live tree in sight, where there was once water but where there is now only desert, in the West African state of Mali, about 125 miles from Timbuktu, a breeze miraculously arose and I could have sworn I heard the Duke of Edinburgh say something about Noah's Ark.

I went and asked him. "At least I'm glad you asked, rather than just take it off the wind," he said. He then said Noah's flood had been a natural disaster, and now this drought was another disaster, and what could you do about a drought?

A day or two before I had visited two refugee camps in Mali where a lot of children are going to die. The famine is not remotely as bad in Mali as it is in Ethiopia and I don't want to suggest for one moment that it is, but many will die. In the face of Africa, stoicism is probably the only choice, but all the same I asked the Duke again if he thought nothing could be done. I had those children in mind.

He invited me to consider what would happen if more of the children in those camps survived, but with no more food to share between them. That is plainly sense, but I asked if it was not a bit cold-blooded.

He asked whether I knew by how many people the population of India increased in a year. I did not know. He said it increased by 15 million a year—twice the population of London. Very well, but we were in Africa.

That was in the morning. there was then a four-hour drive by Land Rover across the most ravaged bit of terrain I can remember seeing. I do not mean that it was as difficult to traverse as a mountain range, or as awesome as the great Australian desert, but it was across a plain where trees used to grow and fish used to be fished, but no more. Then we made a two-hour flight by light plane, and arrived filthy, exhausted, and with one plane having turned back and with some baggage lost, and no certainty of a hotel room, at the Malian capital of Bamako.

● *Prince Philip: 'To be absolutely honest, conservation is not for the sake of man at all . . .'*

We were standing quite filthy in a hotal lobby when HM Honorary Consul came up, explained that the Duke had arrived before us in his Andover of the Queen's flight, that his press conference was at that moment attended only by two or three Malians, and would we please come quickly? In exchange, he fixed us a room, so that was fine, and we were about to seek the Duke when the Malians departed, leaving no one. End of conference. Sorry, we said.

Once I was in the room, removing filthy bush clothes, the consul rang again. If I could find the other Englishman, and if he, the consul, could round up the Frenchmen who had come with us, please could we now meet the Duke in 45 minutes? There is a certain deference to royalty which must be inherent in an Englishman, so I said certainly, delighted.

I changed into a decent suit, put on a cricket club tie, and went to the bar for a beer. There was the Duke also, the last man on earth I expected to find in the Timbuktu bar of that hotel. Since we had bumped into each other a dozen times already that day, I said good evening. "No, not now," he said, with the utmost irritation. I went and got a beer.

Then the press conference began, two Frenchmen, two Swiss reporters, two Swiss cameramen, and me. The Duke was by then most affable and asked where my English friend was. I explained that he sent his apologies, and was rather ill. The Duke immediately sent his own doctor, which was kind.

I brought up the matter of Noah's flood and the present drought, which had been in my head all day. The Duke replied that some animal species were indeed simply dying out. But, I said, the principal species about which we were talking was Man, wasn't it? "Speak for yourself," he said.

Well now, the Duke was touring West Africa as president of World Wildlife Fund, whose spokesman had stressed to me from Geneva that the fund's concern was not only with animals but also with men and women. The spokesman made a great point of this.

Furthermore, I had heard the Duke say to some French-speaking officials the day before that animals and human beings had to live together or die together. Furthermore, it stated clearly in the Duke's programme, "Visit refugee camp," and I had indeed seen him, between the dead forest that morning and our conversation that evening spend 10 minutes looking round such a camp.

So I said, "No, I don't speak only for myself. Cattle are dying, which is sad, but people are starving." He replied that species were endangered all over the world.

"Yes, sir, but the camp you visited today was one I had seen before, and the species endangered there is man." "You cannot," said the Duke, "describe that species as endangered. There are thousands of millions of them."

But, I said, if half of those children were going to die under the age of five, they were endangered, weren't they? "No, they're not. The population of this country is increasing by 3 per cent per annum. Do a calculation and you will find it will double in the next 20 years. You can't say that's becoming extinct. Come on."

So these people were not becoming extinct, I said, but surely they excited the pity of all of us. The Duke said lots of people were concerned. But wild species were becoming extinct. There were not many left of some species.

Then he said, "That's not to take away from the need to be humane and to look after people. But there are specialities in the world. Our speciality is the conservation of the natural environment."

I repeated what the World Wildlife Fund had told me — that animals, plants and Man made up one ecology. The Duke suggested that the spokesman in Geneva had known me and told me what I wanted to hear. I said he had not known me at all, and I had not known him.

"In the end," said the Duke, "The conservation of nature is for its own sake. To be absolutely honest, it's not for the sake of Man at all. But in order to make it more palatable to a lot of people, you have to say, you know, we've got to co-exist, and it'll be in the interests of our grandchildren and so on... Why do people protest about whaling?.. How many people in this world are ever going to see a whale? And yet they march up and down protesting against whale hunting. Why? You tell me."

I said that in my experience they were mostly professional protesters. At this point you couldn't honestly say that relations between us were cordial, but they were never as acerbic as this transcription would seem to show. I have never known a man get irritated so easily, and I'm damned if I'd have liked to have served as a sub-lieutenant on any ship of his. But his mood can change rapidly to sweet, moderate charm.

Anyway, the French then entered the conversation, and the Duke explained to them that you can compare the effects of the drought to those of a volcano that had exploded. But more people died after man-made disasters like civil wars. Disasters, like wars, were mostly made by men. The French having finished for the moment, the Duke turned to me and said, "You still aren't happy?"

I said I had thought about what he had said that morning. I had told him half the children in that camp would die under the age of five, and he had said yes, but had then asked what would happen if fewer died. "Say 25 per cent?" he suggested. "Something like that," I said. And then I reminded him that I had asked if that wasn't all a bit cold-blooded, or at any rate if the facts were cold-blooded.

The Duke then said, in exasperation, "I will stop talking to you about the frightful facts of life. I will tell you what you want... I would like to give my shirt to those people if it would help them. Would that make you feel any happier?"

I said it was not that I wanted to feel any happier. It was that I wanted to understand him. I did feel (though I didn't say and now think I should have said) that there was nothing to choose between our views of the matter, so what was all the controversy about.

Was he, I asked, saying that there was nothing, or very little, that one could do about a drought? "No," I said, "there's nothing I can do about it. You do something about it."

I said my capacity to do anything was infinitely smaller than his. He said, "The World Wildlife fund is not established to look after refugees. It simply isn't for that purpose. Now, my daughter, with the Save The Children Fund, she occupies herself with... if I was president of Oxfam or something, then I'd be concerned about this thing in an institutional way. I'm concerned about it in a personal way. You've got to stick to your last."

"OK," I said. The Duke laughed.

There followed two or three more questions from the French journalists. Then, at the end, I said that Mr Bush, Vice-President of the United States, happened to be coming to this same spot the next day. (Indeed, we were using a room next to the White House press centre for our talk at that moment). Bamaco was a distant place, and they were due to miss each other by about two hours. Were there any plans for them to meet at all.

"I saw him in Washington last year. You ask him: he'll give you the answers you want." I suggested that one did not ask questions with the answers necessarily already in one's mind.

"I know the answers you don't want," said the Duke.

"That," I said, "is highly unfair." The Duke laughed and went out in a mighty good mood. Next morning he left before Mr Bush arrived.

That was on Saturday. Yesterday the Duke was in Senegal, which is quite another country in every way. At an embassy reception in Dakar he came up to me. We were both cooler. "Been thinking about that 50 per cent," he said. "Better if there were only 5 per cent pregnancies and all the children lived."

# When star wars comes down to earth

HELLA PICK, in Geneva, on the prospects of a US-Soviet agreement

IT IS unlikely that any major arms control negotiation has been approached with so much gloom and nervousness as the US-Soviet talks which open tomorrow in Geneva. It is more likely to prove a cover for a continuing arms race than become a forum for striking deals between superpowers for strengthening strategic stability.

Nato knows that the present facade of unity behind President Reagan's Strategic Defence Initiative is fragile. His "Star Wars" programme, even in its research stage, remains highly controversial, and is certain to complicate the agenda. The West Europeans fear that it will delay, and possibly block, agreement on medium-range or strategic nuclear weapons. Thus, the US strategy at the Geneva talks, with its determination to search for a defensive system based on space weapons, already looks as it will run counter to West European interests.

The Soviet Union will exploit every opportunity for dividing Nato and using Geneva for appealing to the uninvited participants and public opinion, in making its case against the militarisation of space. The Americans have demonstrated that they too are girding themselves for propaganda warfare.

Pessimism characterises the confidential assessments being made in Western Europe by defence experts, politicians, academics who specialise in Soviet affairs, and those familiar with the inner sanctum of the Reagan administration. One of Britain's foremost strategic experts says: "The best that can be expected is that the two superpowers will manage to declare failure amiably, without making US-Soviet relations still worse." A Western diplomat says: "This time round, logic is on Soviet side; so that their propaganda against space weapons will be far more justified than their campaign against cruise and Pershing missiles."

The objective of the negotiations as defined in the joint statement is "to work out effective agreements at preventing an arms race in space, and terminating it on earth; at limiting and reducing nuclear arms, and at strengthening strategic stability." Both sides envisaged "the complete elimination of nuclear arms everywhere." But only the Soviet side stressed the importance of preventing the militarisation of outer space.

Since Geneva, the US administration described a very different route to the elimination of nuclear arsenals. It has used every opportunity since the Shultz-Gromyko meeting, to assert that space weapons provide an historic opportunity for a new approach to strategic stability. In place of nuclear deterrence, based on MAD (Mutual Assured Destruction), the superpowers should join in mutual defence based on weapons either in space, or on earth, capable of shooting down weapons as they cross space.

Mr Paul Nitze, the US Chief advisor on arms control, has rationalised this approach in a terse agenda which has already become an article of faith with the US negotiating team.

He proposes that "for the next 10 years, we should seek a radical reduction in the number and power of existing and planned offensive and defensive nuclear arms, whether land-based, space-based, or otherwise. We should be looking forward to a period of transition, beginning possibly 10 years from now, to effective non-nuclear defence forces, including defences against nuclear arms. This period of transition should lead to the eventual elimination of nuclear arms, both offensive and defensive. A nuclear-free world is an ultimate objective to which we, the Soviet Union and all other nations can agree."

President Reagan's own approach to space weapons is almost mystical. Already for close on two years, when he first surprised his own collaborators with an unscripted conversion to "Star Wars," Mr Reagan has seen the search for space weapons as a moral crusade to protect each and every American — and maybe also their allies — against a nuclear holocaust.

No one with access to the President apparently dares to disabuse him of his faith. But not many of the US advocates of space weapons share his assumptions. Some certainly accept that the new technology, if it can be developed into effective weaponry, could play a major role in defending nuclear missile sites and specific targets, but they doubt that if there can ever be a blanket fail-safe cover.

Others in the administration underwrite Mr Reagan's campaign for funds to finance a research blitz into space weapons, because they see this as an instrument of exhausting the economic resources of the Soviet Union, of reducing Soviet military power, and ultimately humiliating the other superpower.

European leaders suspect that this latter school is dominant in the administration. But in any case, it is beyond doubt that the Kremlin tends to believe that the tone of US rhetoric may have softened, but that the administration's goal of weakening "the evil empire" has not really changed.

The Soviet Union has its own space weapons research programme, and may be ahead of the Americans in some respects. The Americans claim that the Russians have already violated the 1972 anti-ballistic missile treaty with their radar at Krasnoyarsk.

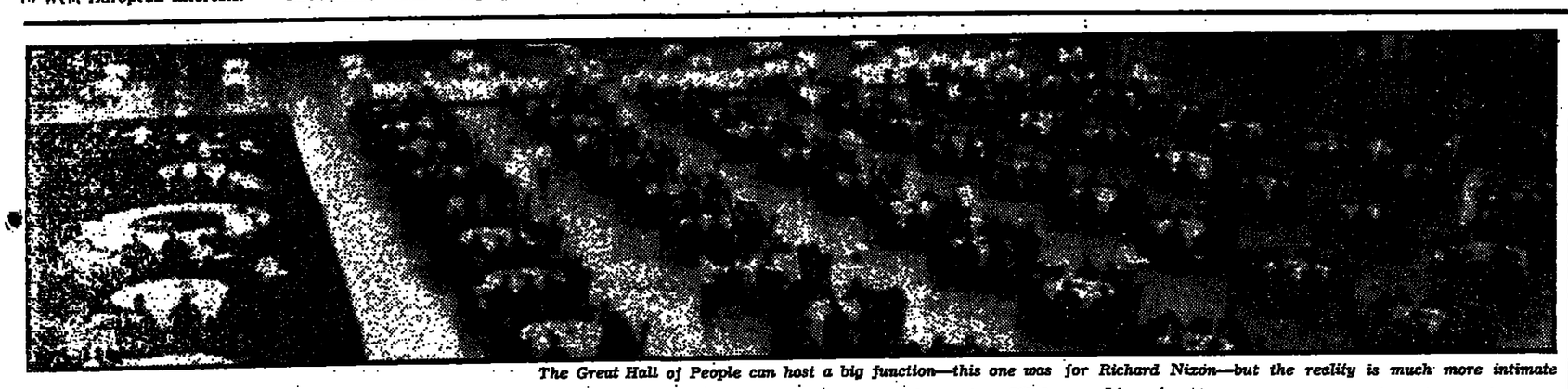
But the Russians obviously do not want to switch from the nuclear deterrent, which has confirmed their equal status as a superpower and kept the peace for 40 years. They do not want to have to find the huge resources that would be needed to match US technological progress in space weapon research, and later in testing and deployment of space weapons.

They fear that space weapons would unravel the present strategic balance, create instability in the superpower relationship, and ultimately give the Americans genuine superiority. So the Russians campaign vehemently against space weapons. They assert that they would increase and also improve their offensive nuclear missiles, in order to neutralise any US advances in defensive space weapons. They would build weapons systems capable of penetrating the US defensive net.

Western European governments privately concede that they see more logic to the Soviet case than in Mr Reagan's justification of the Strategic Defence Initiative. They have further reasons to be concerned by the US preoccupation with space weapons.

In spite of US reassurances, they doubt that any amount of research could devise a space weapons safety net that would encompass western Europe as well as the United States. This leaves them more exposed to the Soviet threat, and requires greater effort to be made into conventional defences. It would make nonsense of the British and French nuclear deterrent.

The European allies appear to have little hope of being able to change Mr Reagan's mind. Paradoxically, they are pinning much of their hopes on the Soviet Union. If the Russians eventually offered "radical" reductions in strategic or medium-range nuclear arms, then perhaps President Reagan, still anxious to have an arms control treaty to his name, might be prepared to adjourn his voyage into space, and settle for an honourable place in heaven.



*The Great Hall of People can host a big function—this one was for Richard Nixon—but the reality is much more intimate*

JOHN HOOPER with Lord Young and the British trade delegation to China

# The hard sell in the land of eastern promise

A BANQUET in the Great Hall of the People in Peking conjures up visions of a cavernous expanse filled with rows of grey-suited officials. The reality is more intimate. The hall, which looks all-of-a-piece from outside, is divided into 27 function rooms.

The Anhui Room, where the welcoming banquet for Lord Young's special trade mission to China and Hong Kong was held on March 1, is no bigger than the average hotel restaurant. But the intimacy is itself deceptive, because a Chinese banquet is governed by strict rules.

For a visiting delegation, the most important are those regulating the toasts in thimble-sized glassfuls of Mao Tai, a sorghum-based liquor that smells to foreigners rather like dry-cleaning fluid.

After the speech of welcome, the host — who in this case was China's Minister for Foreign Economic Relations and Trade, Madame Chen Muhua — will sometimes go to each table in order of precedence, drink glasses with the visitors, and then say "Gan bei" (approximately "Cheers") to the table as a whole. The chief guest, after the speech of gratitude, should, however, do no such thing.

Lord Young, it seems, had not been told about this and after finishing his speech, he picked up his glass and set off for the nearest table. A young British diplomat leapt to his feet to try to stop him, but by the time he reached him, Lord Young — a supremely affable fellow — was already clinking glasses with one startled Chinese official after another.

It was a suitable beginning to a visit that moved from one public relations failure to another.

A firm, described in a British Embassy press release as being from Mrs Thatcher's home town of Grantham, whose £60 million dumper-truck contract was the high point of a signing ceremony in the Great Hall of the People four days later subsequently turned out to be based in Washington and owned by a Hong Kong holding company.

That night, Lord Young tried to convince the press that a letter of intent signed at the same ceremony, had been negotiated from start to finish during the delegation's stay in Peking, even though several of those present knew that an executive of the company concerned had been in China for several weeks preparing the ground.

In Shanghai, a garbled version began circulating of a story published in the Guardian, and in Canton Sir Eric Sharp, the chairman of Cable & Wireless, announced it at a press conference attended by the British Ambassador and the press officer to the Cabinet Office. Next morning, by which time he had seen the text, Sir Eric withdrew his remarks.

But by the time the mission left China, the most aggrieved section of the party was made up not of the press but the company executive accompanying the members of the delegation, most of whom had spent long periods in China, or were based there. In a phrase that speaks volumes about the Foreign Office attitude to commerce, these often eminent businessmen were described in official messages as "the bag carriers."

They clearly felt that their treatment accorded with their title and they soon formed a cynical, grumbling rearguard, only too happy to talk to reporters about embarrassing incidents such as the one in which a pedestrian was knocked down by the official cavalcade as it made its way through Shanghai. From beginning to end, the spirit of the venture was one of good-natured amateurism.

My abiding memory is of the editor of the Sino-British Trade Review who was in charge of the logistics, making her way up the cabin of a CAAC airliner as we flew from Shanghai to Canton, asking the captains of industry and their entourage to cough up five Yuan (about £1.60) for "baggage transfer."

All of this tended to obscure the very real achievements of the trip. Ten leading industrialists — men with real clout in their respective fields — got to see China's three most important cities and more than 100 of its senior officials. "They opened doors that would have taken years to open otherwise," said one company official.

What is more, politician with a seat in the Cabinet was able to hear at first hand what the business community has been saying for several months — that if Britain wants to boost its sales to China, the Government must drop its opposition to "soft" loans.

The visit also saw four of the 11 firms represented sign letters of intent that could lead to valuable business for Britain. But this was no ordinary trade mission and cannot be judged by the standards of one. It was launched at the behest of the Prime Minister to capitalise on the new climate between China and Britain after the Hong Kong agreement, and its members, whom Lord Young describes as the "most high-powered business team we've ever had on a trade delegation," were left in no doubt about the importance which Mrs Thatcher attached to it when she briefed them at No 10 before setting off. One said afterwards that she had put "the fear of God" into him.

Lord Young told the press conference before leaving Britain that his team would conclude — not start — "number of deals that have been under discussion for some time."

Given the composition of his team, most of whom come from firms involved in heavy industry, that was an entirely unrealistic expectation...

"He honestly thought that we could come out here and sign on the dotted line for things like power stations. Good God, almighty, the technical specifications alone can take a year," said one executive.

The only negotiations that have reached the stage where there was a decent chance of an order were those that British Aerospace has been conducting for the sale of its Bae 146 airliner. Mrs Thatcher proposed at the briefing that the mission should travel around in China in a 146. British Aerospace were prepared to put up a large share of the £150,000 or more that it would have cost to hire one from the RAF, but the Government could not find the money to make up the difference.

The Chinese assured British Aerospace's representative on the delegation that they wanted to buy the planes, but continued to insist that the price, which he cut further in Peking, was still too high. There is a good chance that the deal will now be clinched when the Chinese Premier, Mr Zhao Ziyang, comes to London in June. But that would mean that Mr Zhao would get the glory, not Lord Young or Mrs Thatcher.

In fact, by denying the British mission a firm order and arranging Lord Young's itinerary in such a way that he was seen by the Premier within a few hours of China's real strong man, Mr Deng Xiaoping, seeing a Japanese envoy, the Chinese made it impossible for Mrs Thatcher to claim the mission's achievements as her own.

Ultimately, that is the worrying thing about the mission. As a business exercise, it was of great value — although not of as much value that the Government had hoped. As a political exercise it was neither a failure nor a success either. And it is legitimate to ask whether the goodwill which undoubtedly exists towards Britain now is quite as extensive as the Government believes.

Nor can the two aspects be completely divorced. It was Lord Young himself who said it as the hovercraft carrying his mission away from the People's Republic crashed its way past Lantau Island — "In the sense that you are dealing with a centrally planned economy, even though it's fraying a bit at the edges, there is no distinction between politics and business."

MARTIN WALKER in a Moscow park

# Buddy can you spare a rouble?

THEY COME on skis, are hauled along on sledges, browse with skates slung over their shoulders, or just trudge through the woods in the snow. Bitza Park is to southern Moscow what Hampstead Heath is to North London, a stretch of country in the sprawling city. But Hampstead Heath has not yet spawned a sub-zero art gallery.

The fuss about the Bitza Park open-air gallery first surfaced in the Soviet press last autumn, when Sovietskaya Kultura published a sniffy article about this "unauthorised initiative by so-called artists, some of whom present dubious themes."

What they meant was that without so much as a by-your-leave, amateur painters had started to display their pictures along one of the main pathways through the park. No permission from the Moscow city council, no official blessing from the artists' union, no files with stamps of approval in the local office of the Centre for Public Creativity, which keeps a careful eye on all voluntary enthusiasms from pop music to pigeon fanciers.

The real problem was the "dubious themes." And indeed, when we first strolled along the 100 yards or so of paintings for sale, there were a handful of amateurish heads of Christ, two rather blotched copies of ikons, and one rather pretty Madonna.

None of them was calculated to shake the foundations of the Soviet state, and they aroused far less interest among the curious Muscovites than the glutinous oil paintings of domestic pets. There were dogs with enormous eyes, cuddly cats, and kitsch kittens by the kilogram.

The really astonishing thing was the prices. A bland water-colour landscape was on offer at 40 roubles (£41), an almost psychedelic still-life of gross purple plums and vermillion tangerines was a startling 120 roubles. In Moscow, this is a lot of money — three weeks' pay for an average worker. And yet the paintings were being bought, even though this is a country which goes to considerable lengths to make cheap art available to the population.

On Gorky Street, the Moscow Union of Artists runs a gallery where you can buy ready-framed etchings of city scenes for under five roubles signed by the artist. The art of the Soviet poster may not be what it was in those headily-creative days after the Revolution, but they can be bought for coppers. Excellent prints of old masters, or ikons copied on to canvas are on sale for a few roubles.

But the Bitza Park Gallery, which has thrived through the winter in defiance of Sovietskaya Kultura, has enough of the lure of forbidden fruit to prosper in spite of inflated prices. The place has now started to attract what the West would recognise as a faded hippy culture, people selling home-made candles and amateur jewellery. The trendy interest in Zen Buddhism among Moscow's young people is reflected in the crude Netsukis and carved Buddhas on offer from velvet-lined suitcases.

Nina was a small, thin girl, her pinched face almost lost in the fur hood, and she said it took her boyfriend a couple of hours to carve a Buddha, which she could sell for 20 roubles. She sold three as I watched, two to teenagers, and one to a middle-aged man with a pretty girl on his arm.

"I used to sell them round Taganka, in the cafes there where the students go, or in the pet market," she said. "No spot ever lasts for long. The police move you on, but this place has been good all winter. People come to see the paintings and want a souvenir. If they can't afford a painting, they buy a Buddha.

# The world may pay for America's expansive policies

## Brian May

TOMORROW Russian and American negotiators meet in Geneva for talks about arms control. At the top of their agenda will be potential developments in space. The controversy over President Reagan's Strategic Defence Initiative centres chiefly on its feasibility, and on whether it will start a new arms race or put an end — by making them obsolete — to nuclear weapons altogether.

But it is perhaps more important to emphasise that the Star Wars project is closely linked with the current US administration's foreign policy (which, in turn, is a manifestation of the long-term expansionist trend in American history). For at the heart of the policy is the belief that it is America's historic mission to bring private enterprise to the whole world. Only such a system, Reagan argues, can abolish global poverty.

Essential to this American dream is the eclipse of the Soviet Union, which Reagan hates with a religious fervour not altogether absent in Western Europe. A step to that end would be the freeing of Eastern Europe from Soviet pressure, which Reagan foreshadowed in his speech last August about Yalta. "Let me state emphatically," he said then "that we reject any interpretation of the Yalta agreement that suggests American consent for the division of Europe into spheres in influence. On the contrary, we see the agreement as a pledge by the three Great Powers to restore full independence and to allow free and democratic elections in all countries liberated from the Nazis."

This declaration sharply contradicted the Sonnenfeldt doctrine of the early 1970s, which recognised Russia's interest in the cordon sanitaire it had established after the war as a condition of detente. But it would be a mistake to imagine that Washington's profound shift, or reactivation, of emphasis (which was initiated in Jimmy Carter's time by Zbigniev Brzezinski), resulted from a mere change in mentality at the top.

Two powerful factors have been at work. The first is the continuing dynamism of American expansion — a process that has been going on for more than 150 years. The second is America's growing superiority in the precision and effectiveness of its weapons.

This accumulating harvest is the product of the lavishly financed, irrepressible inventiveness of American military technology. With a momentum of its own, it determines foreign policy more than it arises from it, and increasingly tempts Washington to "shape a world," as Kissinger put it. Into this pattern falls America's plan to secure the liquidation of Russia's buffer system in Europe — and the 30-year-old Star Wars plan is its logical concomitant.

For what the United States would need for this purpose is sufficient strength, first, to threaten war, secondly, to launch a war limited to Europe, and, thirdly, in the last resort, to fight a total war, which some of Reagan's advisers believe can be won. The existence of an anti-ballistic missiles defence would fit neatly into this picture. It would enable Washington to say to Moscow: "We can hit you, but you can't hit us — or not nearly as hard."

It was probably this kind of thinking that made the late Lord Salisbury feel, 30 years ago, that America was a greater threat to peace than Russia. The recently published 1954 Cabinet minutes reveal that his particular worry, shared by other ministers in the Churchill government, was that "the United States might decide to bring the East-West issue to a head while they still had overwhelming superiority in atomic weapons, and were comparatively immune from attack by Russia."

Today it is comparative immunity that the Reagan administration is seeking, by means of its Star Wars programme. We should be sceptical about the research label. The aim is deployment. The underlying intention of the US administration is evident in the Pentagon's admission, following a leak to the press in January, 1983, that it was planning to make itself capable of waging an extended nuclear war, with weapons fired from outer space, and to drain the Soviet economy by staging military confrontations.

This, at any rate, is the way the Russians are bound to interpret the purpose of the Star Wars programme. Revanchist pressure in Western Germany — is hardly designed to reassure them either. Whether or not the Russians are threatened, they think they are. They could easily become desperate. They claim that they can knock out nuclear weapons in Germany with conventional missiles. And the questions they are almost sure to be asking are: "Should we try now, or wait until it may be too late? If we launch a conventional attack to remove the missiles, would the West risk first use of nuclear weapons?"

In looking towards Europe, the United States administration is right in its timing, for it is exploiting a momentous historic development. While Russia strives to hold its buffer system together, Eastern Europe is increasingly hoping for greater autonomy. But this contradiction produces great danger of war. One British politican who has noted dangers is Lord Mayhew, who has floated a Russo-American disengagement proposal aimed at satisfying East European aspirations while taking into account Russia's concern for its security. (Agenda, September 17, 1984.) The Russians, it should be remembered, warmly supported the idea of disengagement in the 1950s.

Unfortunately, whatever the Russian view may be now, the idea is unlikely to fit in with America's expansionist tradition.

It is a tradition with a long history, for the United States began to expand soon after its foundation — sweeping across New Orleans, the Floridas, the Louisiana territory, Texas and the Great Southwest. In the 1890s it looked farther afield and urged an Open Door in China, to deprive Europeans of their trade concessions, and the Ottoman Empire as well.

The so-called isolationist period of detachment from Europe after the First World War was soon reversed by opportunities thrown up in the Second. As a result an inexperienced nation that had once eschewed all involvement in Europe was transformed into a country that intervened all over the world.

So far, America's failures overseas, like Russia's have exceeded its achievements. Its outstanding success has been in Western Europe, which it has reduced to political impotence under the guise of partnership — as the Romans did with the Latins. Western Europe now has no effective say in matters crucial to its survival.

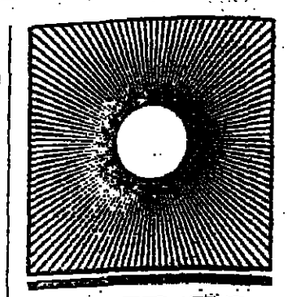
America's gains in Europe more than compensate for its blunders elsewhere. For no other region of the world is more crucial to the political outcome of America's global thrust. Like other countries in the past, America has always harnessed an ideal to its aggression and acquisitiveness. In the nineteenth century territorial expansion was said to increase "the area of freedom." Now, once again, the need is for expansion and ideological fulfilment.

The US administration evidently believes that the liberation of Eastern Europe would serve two purposes. It would ease the Western economic malaise by opening up fresh markets and investment outlets; and it would weaken the Soviet Union politically and strategically. The trouble with this prospect is that Western Europe could be devastated in the process.

Meanwhile the United States is forging ahead in the arms race on the utterly fictitious pretext that it is the Soviet Union, not itself, which is expansionist. Russia set up its cordon sanitaire after the war because it feared the countries of the West, particularly Germany. Its actions in Europe since then may be shown easily to be defensive. For one thing, it has actually reduced, not extended, its control over European territory, as Alan Clark, a member of Mrs Thatcher's government, has reminded the Commons.

But the American danger is real, well rooted in history and increasingly feared. As David Steel has said, many Europeans wonder whether their security lies in an administration that too often seems aggressive and lacking in self control. In a nuclear age, this is an extremely serious charge.

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## FACE TO FAITH

## Donald Norwood

WE HOPE the church will not let the nation down. The MP was referring to the VE Commemorations this May and still remembering the Falklands service in St Paul's which had pleased the nonconformists but not those, like himself, who expect the church to behave like the Church of the English with no nonsense about prayers in Spanish or silences for the Argentinian dead. The Church of England is above all the national church.

Reformed churchmen should still see this as its chief offence: that the Church of England is a national church. But in the more self-confident days of dissident dissent there were so many other things to complain about. What fired the righteous indignation of nineteenth century nonconformists was not that Anglicans were so English but that they themselves were not allowed to be. They could not be members of the English Parliament or belong to the ancient universities. They could not bury their own dead in English churchyards or marry their children. They were, to quote the title of Dr. Cunningham's study of Dissent in the Victorian novel, Everywhere Spoken Against.

The trouble was that dissent and nonconformity were negative qualities. Members did not conform to the Church of England as by law established, but what did they affirm? Even the old watchwords, "the Liberation of Religion from State Patronage and Control," the title of the society formed with that object in 1844, lack the positive, campaigning appealof today's "liberation theology." They were not out to free the church for the sake of the poor or to denationalise the church for her supra-national and international responsibilities.

A positive corrective was supplied by the Congregationalist theologian, P.T Forsyth. Forsyth, like most eminent Nonconformists in this century, was no longer very interested in disestablishment. But he did care deeply about affairs of state, even more for the state of the church, and above all for the Kingdom of God.

For him, Christian love in international terms meant the summons to see that each man and each nation could enjoy the free and humane life to which they had a right. So the first world war took on for him the character of a moral crusade, not because British interests were threatened, but because Germany had invaded Belgium neutrality. As churchman he declared: "It is an ignoble thing for any Christian nation to take the rape of Belgium with superior indifference, or pious detachment."

Such high sounding convictions sound perilous today in a nuclear age, but we should not loose sight of this passion for international justice which is a consequence of Forsyth's high churchmanship. He recantured those strong emphasis in reformed theology on civic responsibility and the local church as the outcrop of the great world church and church of all the ages.

These beliefs are re-expressed in Daniel Jenkins, The British: Their Identity and Their Religion, and with him we return to the positive Reformed critique of a national church the rest of the world. Jenkins notes that "such an outstanding Anglican and Englishman as Bishop Bell of Chichester," the friend of Bonhoeffer and the resistance movement in Germany, the critic of our saturation bombing of Dresden and other German cities, was looked upon with disfavour by his fellow Anglicans because he was so interested in ought to be able to say of the Church of England, most Anglicans believe, what a national newspaper said in its obituary notice of Archbishop Randall Davidson: "He gave perfect expression to public sentiments on national occasions." In short, he did not let the nation down.

But what about the nations? Disputes about disestablishment now seem so parochial and trivial in a hungry and dangerous world. But concern that the church in each place should be a multinational community is very much to the point. Forsyth still makes me a dissenter but with a challenge to my own donomination. He said that Rome herself was too much of the great powers to give a prophetic lead in world affairr. The Church of England was too nationalised and the Free Churches too rationalised. The demand then, as now, was for a faith and churchmanship big enough to embrace the world.

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# The numbers game that adds up to a division

## ENOCH POWELL

IN 1965 the then Labour Government, in flat contravention of their professions when in opposition, saw themselves obliged not only to retain the Conservative Commonwealth Immigration Act of 1962 but to tighten up its application. For all such reversals a political fine has to be paid by making a simultaneous gesture in the other direction. The fine which the Labour Government paid was destined to be costly for the nation: it was to introduce into the law of the United Kingdom a concept hitherto unknown to it, the concept of "race".

Until that insignificant piece of legislation in 1965, long since overlaid by subsequent layers of more voluminous legislation, the law and the courts of this country had been blind to race: they knew no such difference between one citizen, one person, and another. Thenceforward they were admonished to classify them under the law according to their race.

It was a bitter and ill-omened blemish, bound by its nature to exacerbate differences which were already conscious and to make perceptible differences which had until then been ignored. Since the purpose was to make men different before the law, the consciousness of difference now enforced was calculated to create mutual rancour and suspicion.

I am not saying that without this legislation such rancour and suspicion would not have existed, given the consequences of New Commonwealth immigration, unrestricted before 1962 and more limited after 1962. I am saying that whatever rancour and suspicion would have anyhow existed were institutionalised and rendered more explosively divisive by the enforced classification of people by race.

These gloomy memories of 20 years ago are evoked by the sight of new veins through which the poison is working its way through the body politic. A spate of parliamentary questions, has recently established that the Government has decreed throughout the public service what is called "ethnic monitoring," which means the enumeration of employees by race: the proclaimed purpose is to measure the scale and spread of racial discrimination, with the object of eliminating it. The rubric is "Ethnic Monitoring and Positive Action."

The law contains no definition of "race" — it would be for the courts to decide in a particular case whether or not there was difference of race — but it has been found to include the difference between Scots and English (whoever precisely they may be) and the Jews have officially claimed that for the purposes of the law they are a distinct "race" — how, indeed, could they do otherwise? The government however has no intention, for reasons not difficult to discern, of enumerating Scotsmen or Jews in its employment.

It has, therefore, for this purpose divided mankind into seven categories which, whatever else they are, are surely not races and would not be adjudged such by a court, even when described euphemistically as "ethnic groups." Here they are: White; West Indian/Guyanese; Indian; Pakistani; Bangladeshi; African; other Commonwealth. How the ghost of Hitler must wriggle with delight at watching Her Majesty's Government counting members of the "White" race! Beside it even the enormity of telling Polynesians, Melanesians and Malays that they are all of the same race as Chinese becomes almost supportable.

To enumerate employees by "race," however, is only the first part of the operation. The second is to ascertain whether there is racial discrimination. For this purpose the relative proportions in an employment have to be compared with the corresponding proportions in the population at large, either by locality or generally. So the whole population must be enumerated by race, even though Parliament under government guidance refused to allow the 1981 Census to do so. Those of us who asked questions about numbers in years gone by were held up to public obloquy got "playing the numbers game; but this is the numbers game with a vengeance — or perhaps not, for it turns out not to be a game at all but grim earnest.

If the two sets of proportions are found to differ — and of course they do — that is claimed to show the extent of racial discrimination, which positive action must be taken to eliminate. There is a "sublime savagery" (as Housman would have said) about the "bad logic" of the argument; but into its Procrustean mould people are going to be forced, until presumably wherever we look in society and its institutions in the economy and its activities, we shall find one general uniformity of ethnic percentages, steadily policed and jealously maintained.

One goal lies at the end of this road on which we in Britain are officially set; for in face of the multifarious intractability of human wishes and endowments there is only one instrument of sufficient power to enforce the requisite proportions. That is the quota system: there must be numerical quotas, by race, laid down everywhere and required to be observed upon pain of the blatant guilt of racial discrimination.

Once the crazy logic of this principle is accepted — and acceptance is implicit in "ethnic monitoring" itself — there is no limit to its application. An obvious area is elective authorities, because electoral cussedness will persist in refusing to reproduce in the elected bodies the ethnic proportions of the electorate. The deduction will be drawn that there ought to be quotas of seats reserved to members of the respective ethnic fractions and compulsorily filled up by separate voting lists.

It used to be regarded as rather far-fetched when I ventured to predict that some 50 seats in the House of Commons would be claimed by right of quota for ethnic minority representatives of ethnic minority electorates. But this very week a former Cambridge fellow not only advocated that very thing in The Times but recommends it as advantageous to the Conservative Party, while the Labour Party has on its hands a bitter internal running fight against local parties who wish to set up "black sections" to ensure appropriate proportional representation in terms of race right from the bottom of the heirarchy up to the Parliamentary party.

These are symptoms of approaching crisis; for where numbers are political power, as, supremely, in Parliament, the numbers game of ethnic monitoring and quotas becomes a matter of life-and-death that will disturb even the pacific complacency of the British public, which has been content, with no more than private murmurings, to observe the spread of this epidemic folly.

Dr Scruton flies in the face of human nature when he imagines that 50 or 60 MPs differentiated from and privileged above the rest by race will notknow how to race will not knof how to use that capability to attract power from the rest who are bidding and counter-bidding for their votes. Power exists to be used where it can be seized, and its practitioners are ready learners.

The builders of the Tower of Babel were destroyed by differences injected into them from outside. We on the contrary have prepared the downfall of our own Tower of Babel by insisting on enforcing differences upon ourselves. The present generation's manic preoccupation with "race" has turned the law into an instrument of mutual alienation, and by a bitter irony has deepened the differences which it attempted to wish away into dangerously entrenched divisions.

*This speech was given to the Cambrige University Association annual dinner on Saturday.*



*Blind to race:* Picture of the Notting Hill Carnival by Garry Weaser

## OUT OF COURT

## David Pannick

MR JUSTICE Cardozo (a distinguished Judge of the US Supreme Court earlier this century) explained that "for quotable good things, for pregnant aphorisms, for touchstones of ready application, the opinions of the English judges are a mine of instruction and a treasury of joy." The "report" of Lord Bridge, a Law Lord, on aspects of telephone tapping is, by reason of the limited terms of reference, far from a mine of instruction.

But it will certainly bring joy to the Treasury and to all other Government departments. Its finding that since 1970 Ministers have obeyed guidelines in issuing warrants for interceptions raises many political issues. One legal issue that is equally controversial is whether the Government should use a senior judge to inquire into and report upon such matters.

One can understand why the Government should wish to use an eminent judge such as Lord Bridge to conduct an inquiry into aspects of telephone tapping. He is Chairman of the Security Commission and so as knowledgeable about security affairs as anyone outside MI5

He can be relied upon to assess the evidence presented to him with a lawyer's eye for what is relevant to the specified issues. His status as a judge implies impartiality and independence of the executive, thus making his report more authoritative than that of a mere bureaucrat.

It may well be in the public interest to ask judges to conduct inquiries into certain issues. What is disturbing about the nature of Lord Bridge's report is that all the evidence is secret and his reasoning cannot be subjected to critical analysis. The inquiry has made public nothing except that a judge has reached a certain result. The only purpose of the inquiry, therefore, is for the Government (and its predecessors) to be able to claim that criticisms of telephone tapping are unjustified *because* a judge has blessed State action.

Lord Bridge has had his judicial status misused by the Government for blatantly political purposes. He has (no doubt unwittingly) been brought into the political arena as a symbol to reassure a public doubtful of the propriety of Government actions in the field of telephone tapping.

The Lord Chancellor — usually so quick to condemn perceived threats to judicial independence — needs to explain how the use of Lord Bridge is compatible with the independence of the judiciary from the executive and the immunity of the judiciary from political controversy.

It is strongly arguable that judges are rarely qualified to conduct inquiries into matters of policy. Their legal training too often results in them adopting a narrow approach. It judges are to exercise their talents out of court they should not allow the state to usurp their authority to bless politically controversial and secret activities of the executive.

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# Personal links at the heart of a family of nations

## Geoffrey Howe

TODAY is being celebrated in 49 Commonwealth countries as Commonwealth Day. It's a good time to think again about what the Commonwealth stands for in 1985. And there's plenty to think about. What is it, for example, that gives the Commonwealth its special character? Can it adapt to new challenges? And what is Britain's role in its future?

The Commonwealth is a unique association of independent states. It has rightly been described as a family of nations, all of which look to the Queen as Head of the Commonwealth. Its meetings and associated activities are characterised by informality and friendship. And all countries are keen to join; in the past four years it has gained five new members, the most recent being Brunei. How is this success achieved?

My own personal experience of the Commonwealth goes back a long way. Almost 40 years have passed since I spent two years serving with African troops in Kenya and Uganda. The Swahili that I learnt then has now rusted away, but could still (just) be pressed into service during my visit to Nairobi earlier this year.

Fortunately I had no need of it when, as Chancellor, I took part in four meetings of Commonwealth Finance Ministers and as Foreign Secretary I attended the last Heads of Government meeting in New Delhi in 1983. For me these and countless other contacts with Commonwealth leaders over the years have created bonds of affection, trust and understanding. The same is true for all those who participate in such meetings.

These personal links are at the heart of the Commonwealth's vitality. The frank exchange of views which we always have leads not to the dull uniformity of a Warsaw Pact communiqué but to a real appreciation of other countries' concerns and attitudes. One side-effect of this is that when we meet in other contexts — the IMF and the UN, for example — we do not fall into the trap of caricaturing each other's positions, even when we disagree.

These personal links don't apply only to politicians in the Commonwealth. Ordinary citizens from all over the world can be brought together through participation in the various activities undertaken or sponsored by the Commonwealth. Friendships are forged at every level, and people gain a better awareness of each other's views.

The principles on which the Commonwealth operate were set out formally in the Singapore Declaration of 1971. It remains a valuable document, but more important by far is the fact that all members of the Commonwealth share the same basic values and are committed to working together to sustain them. In other words the principles of the Commonwealth can and do affect our daily lives.

The existence of the Commonwealth also brings tangible benefits to all members. In the political sphere Zimbabwe is a good example; the 1979 Lancaster House Settlement owed a great deal to the successful Heads of Government meeting at Lusaka which preceded it, and the benefits have been felt throughout Africa.

Economically, three quarters of the Commonwealth is covered by the Lome Convention, and it includes more than half the Convention's members: this helps to ensure that Commonwealth interests are given due weight whenever the European Community considers its relations with the wider world. The Commonwealth countries concerned benefit greatly from the Convention's aid and trade provisions. Here as elsewhere the existence of the Commonwealth as a grouping means that its members' collective influence is greater than the sum of the individual parts.

These are some of the factors which explain why the Commonwealth today is in such good shape. But can it adapt to meet the challenges of the changing environment of the late 20th century? I am confident it can. It has show itself to be capable of organic growth. Flexibility has always been a characteristic of the Commonwealth's activities. We are not hidebound by rules and procedures. All this bodes well for the future.

But if the Commonwealth is to develop further, one thing above all is essential. We must ensure that enthusiasm for it and belief in its values are transmitted to the younger generation. It would be a mistake to take for granted that they will automatically share the attitudes of their parents.

That is why I attach such importance to the activities which bring young people from all over the Commonwealth together. I think of the 40,000 Commonwealth students now in Britain who will take home technological or other expertise of great value to their countries. They will come to share our political values as well.

Sport too has a part to play; we look forward to the next Commonwealth Games in Edinburgh in 1986. And in the Arts as well cooperation and competition, drawing on the cultural and linguistic heritage which we have in common, can do much to create bonds between young people. The various institutions of the Commonwealth have an essential role in fostering all these activities; and so do national governments.

All our Commonwealth friends know that Brtain does not aspire to any form of hegemony within it. How could we? But we are conscious of our responsibility to continue our major contribution to every area of its work. Many Commonwealth bodies are based here: examples include the Secretariat so ably led by Sonny Ramphal, the Commonwealth Foundation, and the Commonwealth Institute.

For all these reasons I am confident that the Commonwealth will be as relevant to the 1990s as it is to the 1980s. Its continuing success must be a mystery to those who have not lived with it and seen it at work. But to all of us inside this family of nations, today is a day to recall the many benefits, tangible and intangible, which the Commonwealth brings. It is an opportunity to reaffirm the importance in today's troubled world of preserving the values we share and of sustaining the institution which does so much to promote them.

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# Watch out South Africa when the Americans decide to set the ball rolling



**AMERICAN NOTEBOOK**

Alex Brummer

ONE OF the most extraordinary aspects of American political life is the speed with which apparently fringe causes can be catapulated into local and national legislative action. Few political observers, for instance, paid much attention to the small earnest groups of anti-apartheid demonstrators who began to gather outside the South African Embassy in Washington last November.

South Africa was seen largely as an issue for Black Americans who in reality were surely more interested in their own problems of high unemployment, poverty in the ghettos and civil rights than the more fundamental struggles of their distant brothers in another continent. How wrong it is possible to be. With the magnification provided by a national media with a pack instinct and a few converts among the high and mighty on Capitol Hill oppression and apartheid in South Africa rocketed to near the top of the national agenda.

Less than six months on leading members of Congress from both parties are struggling with questions of sanctions legislation: major cities such as New York are refusing to do business with anyone who does it in South Africa and many of America's largest companies are being forced to face moral and political questions about their operations under an apartheid regime which apparently have never occurred to them before. Indeed, the important issues which America is wrestling with today Britain could be debating tomorrow.

While American direct investment in South Africa is significant it is dwarfed beside British involvement. At $2.3 billion at the end of 1983 the US's direct investment in the white laager represents at less than 1 per cent — a minisoule part of America's vast assets overseas. This compares with Britain's direct investment of $8.7 billion, or 55 per cent of the foreign investment in the former commonwealth country.

Even so the US investment is by no means insignificant. In certain key sectors of the economy notably petroleum, computers and the car industry the Americans are a dominant force. If sanctions were to force an investment cut-off it would cause serious dislocation and deprive the country of technology which is basically unobtainable elsewhere.

There are, however, several distinct schools of thought in the United States. There is the Kennedy-Weicker approach, now encapsulated in the bill presented to both houses of Congress which seeks to pressure Pretoria by sanctions which would inhibit new American investment in the country.

There is a second approach subscribed to by 126 or so companies who have agreed to the so-called Sullivan principles. This seeks to change the ways of Pretoria by example. Companies which adhere to Sullivan in effect voluntarily agree to rid their firms of apartheid both in the workplace and at home. In the workplace they might desegregate the loos and offer comparable wages for Blacks and whites and outside the companies assume more responsibility for housing conditions, education and the like.

As the anti-apartheid movement has gathered momentum in recent months a further step has been added by the Rev Leon Sullivan, a Black Baptist minister from Philadelphia, who is the father of the code. Companies who have signed on to the Sullivan Code — effectively protecting themselves from boycotts and the like at home — must also lobby vigorously within South Africa against the apartheid system. A provision which has caused some considerable disquiet among some signatories.

The third — flat-earth — school of thought exemplified by the Reagan Administration is "constructive engagement." This rules that economic sanctions are not the way to pressure your allies to change, however aborrent the apartheid system may be. What is needed is some quiet but severe diplomacy which the White House argues has already worked in, for instance, bringing freedom to some gaoled trade union leaders. Sanctions it is argued will only hurt those who need foreign investment most — the Black majority.

As anyone who followed the saga of Britain's sanctions against Rhodesia after Mr Ian Smith's declaration of UDI in 1965 knows there is no such thing as a leak-proof economic barrier which is going to bring a nation to its knees.

The objective then of sanctions is to bring greater political pressure to bear and that appears to be the objective of the Kennedy-Weicker bill.

Without doubt it would, if passed, also lead to some economic disruption. The ban on the sale of kruggerrands, for example, would be a further body blow to the gold market at a time when the superdollar has already sent many a gold-bug close to ruin.

Furthermore, the ban on new direct investment would in effect cut the subsidiaries of American companies in South Africa off from the flow of outside finance. Without this their operations would stagnate and they might begin to pull out on their own accord.

There has been some evidence of the pressure which can be brought to bear in the last month. The Ford Motor Company, clearly concerned that its extensive operations in a racialist society could backfire in other markets, announced it was selling a 60 per cent stake in its South African subsidiary to Anglo-American Corporation. At the time of the sale in February Ford won assurances from Anglo-American that it would continue to adhere to the Sullivan principles—even though it was technically no longer an American-owned firm.

Similarly the recent decision by Citibank, the world's largest financial institution, to refuse any future bank loans to Pretoria or South African government agencies demonstrates the enormous pressure which sanctions can exert. Citibank's decision was taken under the threat of new ordinances passed by the City of New York which offered the bleak choice between doing business for the city or for racialist government on a far off continent: not surprisingly Citibank chose Mayor Koch.

To the extent that companies like Ford, Citibank and others have begun to assess their investments in South Africa on moral and political criteria, as well as profits and losses, sanctions or even the threat can clearly serve to isolate an outlaw government. But whether it can force a change in policy is a matter of dispute.

A study carried out by the Washington-based Institute for International Economics found that in the majority of cases where economic sanctions were imposed in the decade 1973-83 they failed to produce even modest policy changes. This immunity to sanctions, according to the study, stems from the more global nature of trade (where no one country is necessarily vital) and the willingness of others to step into the discarded shoes.

There are, however, occasions when moral imperative must override all others. America with its own civil rights history has demonstrated what can be achieved in two decades if the right pressures are applied.

It provides a shining (if still imperfect) example to the black townships and homelands of South Africa. The continued imposition of economic sanctions at both local and national level will at the least provide moral support and at the best spark a chain reaction throughout the West leading to the dismantling of apartheid.

*Economic Sanctions in Support of Policy Goals by Gary Clyde Hufbauer and Jeffrey J. Schott. Published by the Institute of International Economics, Washington DC. October 1983.*

**Intervention ploy to dampen currency's rise meets success**

# Central bank sales of dollar disguised

By Christopher Huhne, Economics Editor

The full exent of central bank selling of the dollar since the agreement of the Group of Five leading industrialised countries in January is being disguised by a ploy which can leave their published foreign exchange reserves unchanged.

It is understood that a part of the intervention which has taken place to dampen the rise of the dollar, with considerable success on February 27 when the pound rose by five cents, was in fact in other currencies than that of the central bank concerned.

Thus the Bank of England, by selling dollars and buying German marks, can both weaken the American currency and ensure that there is no short-term change in the value of Britain's foreign exchange reserves as they appear in the monthly figures from the Treasury.

Similarly, the West German Bundesbank can sell dollars for sterling without any effect on its foreign exchange reserves. An additional advantage of such "intervention at one remove" is said to be that there is less likelihood of domestic monetary effects, though these depend crucially on the nature of the reason for intervention.

What could amount to a clever accounting ploy to disguise the extent of intervention from the markets does not, though, strengthen the actual reserve position of the central banks to deal with a further surge of the dollar since their reserve portfolios, though composed of foreign currencies, could well be short of dollars.

In the Bank of England's case, the only public indication of such "intervention at one remove" is likely to come with the annual valuation change of the reserves; if the dollar continues to rise and other foreign currencies fall, the foreign exchange reserves, which are traditionally expressed in dollar terms, will shrink.

The authorities do not comment, as a matter of policy, on foreign exchange intervention though the scale of dollar selling at the end of February was probably at least $2½ billion, believed to be mainly in the spot market rather than the forward exchange markets, contrary to some reports.

The central banks' biggest success came the day after the foreign exchange markets already displayed some nervousness over remarks by Mr Paul Volcker, the chairman of the Federal Reserve. Heavy selling of more than $1½ billion on February 27 pushed the pound's rate up from $1.05 to $1.087 at the close and the dollar-DM rate from DM 3.47 to 3.33.

The Chancellor, Mr Nigel Lawson, has said that the central banks stand ready to repeat such actions in the future and Mr Volcker has also repeated remarks which seem calculated to increase speculators' reluctance to take strong positions in favour of the dollar.

# Fraser's Smith salary doubles

By Geoffrey Gibbs

**THE salary of the House of Fraser chairman Professor Roland Smith has been doubled to £100,000 following a review of the remuneration of top directors of the Harrods department stores group.**

**The increase, which took effect from the beginning of Fraser's new financial year in February, will be shown in documents setting out details of the £615 million takeover bid being mounted by the Egyptian Al Fayed brothers. The former offer is due to be sent to shareholders shortly.**

**House of Fraser director Mr Ernest Sharp said yesterday that the pay rise had been agreed by an executive committee of the board and dismissed suggestions that either Professor Smith or the Al Fayeds had played any part in the discussions.**

**Professor Smith joined the Fraser board in August 1980 on a part time basis at a salary of £50,000 a year. Although the realities of running Fraser during the intervening period of conflict with Mr Tiny Rowland's Lonrho group mean he has been a full time chairman in all but name. His salary has not previously been altered.**

**"The committee did not feel that going from £50,000 to £100,000 after almost five years was over egging the pudding," commented Mr Sharp. He added that Professor Smith was still not in the pension scheme or the company's profit linked share plan.**

**Kleinwort Benson the merchant bank acting for the Al Fayeds have meanwhile again categorically dismissed Lonrho's suggestion that the brothers are acting as front men for the Sultan of Brunei in making their 400p a share bid.**

**"This is a red herring put out in order to try and get the secretary of state to refer the bid to the Monopolies Commission," declared Kleinwort's John MacArthur last night.**

**"Mohamed Al Fayed has long standing connections with Brunei. He knows the Sultan and the Sultan's father very well and there is no doubt that he did act on behalf of the Sultan's purchase of the Dorchester Hotel," he acknowledged. "But it is absolute nonsense that the money is coming from Brunei. It's coming from Fayed family funds that have been accumulated over generations and been wisely invested."**

Hottest Seat in Town. See page 20.

# Step-up investment call

By Michael Smith, Industrial Editor

British industry, especially engineering firms, have been urged to step up their investment in advanced new manufacturing techniques to create jobs and boost their profits.

The case for more widespread use of advanced manufacturing technology (AMT) has come from a special working party of government, industrialists and trade unionists at the National Economic Development Office.

In a preliminary report, the group says that improvements can be achieved in "virtually every business ratio" through the use of AMT.

AMT involves using computers in the design and manufacturing of goods, as well as overall more automation of machining, handling and warehousing.

The working party, chaired by Victor Osola, warns that competitor countries are harnessing new manufacturing technology which poses a serious threat to British firms. The report says that a firm's costs will be cut because AMT reduces staff numbers, material costs and general overheads.

While firms with static levels of turnover are expected to show a fall in workforce, the report points out that with realistic projections of output growth, the numbers employed will increase and new skill opportunities will open up.

The group has so far examined only engineering firms engaged in "batch production," which accounts for around 70 per cent of total UK engineering output. But its findings indicate "significant improvements" in operating profits and illustrate that capital investment in AMT could produce positive cash flow for firms after only three years.

However the Osola report emphasises that firms are suspicous about the benefits of AMT and worried about the capital outlay.

As a result a seven-point plan of action has been drawn up, centring largely on promoting greater awareness of the benefits of AMT and making sure that the Department of Trade and Industry maintains its grants for AMT development.

# Gloves off as banks seek custom

By Margaret Dibben, Money Editor

Bitter competition among the banks to attract personal customers has broken through the gentlemanly edifice usually maintained in the City. The Midland Bank, promoting free banking for all customers in credit, is accusing the other banks of using delaying tactics when customers ask to switch their accounts to the Midland.

The other banks vehemently deny that they could even think of doing such a thing. But the Midland is so sure that banks are trying to discourage customers from switching that it has amended its transfer form to speed up the process.

It is standard banking practice, when a valued customer closes an account, for the manager to contact the individual to try and persuade him or her to stay. The Midland believes the others are now dragging out this process for several weeks longer than is necessary.

So, the Midland has changed the wording on the transfer form that the customer completes and sends to the requited bank to say: "Please give effect to this transfer immediately and without entering into any correspondence with me in this matter."

The competition are horrified at the suggestion that they are being excessively slow and say that even if they are losing customers to the Midland, which some certainly are, it is not in sufficient numbers to panic them into cancelling the £100 minimum deposit for free banking. Even so, many have already done this for retired customers.

And, while the Midland says it is delighted with the "quality" of the new accounts, with a little mud slinging, National Westminster slyly suggests that the "nature" of the accounts which are moving to the Midland does not give cause for "major concern."

# Chinese defector sets up chip shop in UK

By Peter Large, Technology Correspondent



Godfrey Fong.... No longer locked in

A Chinese microchip researcher who quit the People's Republic for California 11 years ago is the latest Silicon Valley entrepreneur to set up shop in Britain.

Godfrey Fong, now aged 37, formed Weitek, a specialised chip design company, with two Chinese colleagues in 1981. The firm's patient research-based start, then sudden take-off form a classic of the Californian pattern.

Mr Fong's parents emigrated to the US before 1960. He stayed on to look after his grandmother. When he left on his grandmother's death, he had been in charge of microchip research in Shanghai for six years.

He said at the weekend that he had decided to quit because of "the family, the freedom", and the fact that he was "locked in professionally" in China.

Weitek (the "wei" means microscopic) has now set up a UK branch in Basingstoke. The company produces chips that speed up the arithmetical work of high-speed "number-crunching" computers. The immediate market was the military and the scientists, but that is now spready into signal processing for computer graphics and telecommunications.

Weitek illustrates most of the Silicon Valley factors that few European start-ups seem to be able to control in one bundle:

(1) **The spin-off effect:** Mr Fong had been with Hewlett-Packard for six years when he and two other H-P technologists, Dr Edmund Sun and Dr Chi-Shin Wang, branched off on their own.

(2) **The management:** They immediately decided they needed a president who combined a technical background with the proven business management record that they lacked, so they recruited Dr Arthur Collymer from Calma.

(3) **Venture-capital courage:** Although Weitek's specialised market depends on patient development work and may not last more than a few years, all the launching money came from venture capital outfits. It totals $4.4 million — and $2.1 million came more than two years after the start and six months before the firm got into profit. (The growth in 1984 was 300 per cent, producing a $3 million profit on a $13 million turnover.

4) **Relish for change:** Despite that wait, despite the growth in specialist staff from nil to 80 people in three years, despite the continual reinvestment of 15 per cent of sales in research, Weitek's management acknowledge that their current market may only last five years.

The reason is that the omnibus chips now emerging from the mainstream industry, combining all the parts of a powerful computer in one sliver of silicon, could incorporate the specialised arithmetical logic functions of Weitek's products.

Mr Fred Flett, Weitek's new UK head and a Scot, estimated at the weekend that in about five years' time Weitek will have to be talking to the bigger chip firms about a Weitek input into those omnibus chips.

# Lloyds gives budget advice to Lawson

By our Economics Staff

Those in the City and elsewhere urging the Chancellor to tighten his borrowing target of £7 billion next year in order to impress the foreign exchange markets are mistaken, Mr Christopher Johnson, Group Economic Adviser at Lloyds Bank says today.

Writing in his regular monthly bulletin, Mr Johnson argues that the Chancellor will stick to his £7 billion target — allowing net tax cuts of £1½ billion — though even this will mean a tighter budgetary policy in 1985-6 than this year.

Supporting the recent Guardian story, Mr Johnson believes it likely that building societies will have to pay the income tax owed by their customers — the composite rate tax — on a quarterly rather than a yearly basis to give the Chancellor an extra £500 million in cash flow to "give away" in his budget.

He could also expand his margin for personal tax reform by extending VAT to beverages and inessential foods (worth £350 million)

## NEWS IN BRIEF

CHANCELLOR Mr Nigel Lawson is being urged to produce a package of measures which will lead to long-term economic growth and create new, lasting jobs. With nine days to go to the budget, Sir Terence Beckett, Director-General of the CBI, said: "Mr Lawson must not be blown off course by short-term movements in the money markets. The siren voices calling for appeasement of currency speculators should be ignored.

"What is needed is a responsible budget, with particular emphasis on measures to help employment and training. One that contains a series of positive measures which will improve the working of the economy and create scope for future cuts in interest rates."

THEME Holdings, which runs three celebrated waterholes in London; Peppermint Park, Coconut Grove and Fatso's Pasta Joint is joining the Over-the-Counter market through an issue by Guidehouse. It would be capitalised at £3.7 million at the subscription price.

# BT network stretches

By our Financial Staff

Work starts this week on another 14,000 miles of fibre-optic cabling on the nation's phone network.

British Telecom's latest programme, costing £9 million, is to connect local exchanges, and most of the links will be less than 10 miles long. Until recently the user of the laser-light signals of optical fibres to replace electric copper cables was most cost-effective over the longer distances of the inter-city network.

New economies of scale are working for the local junction network as well. Each of the cables in the new programme will be capable of carrying 3,840 phone calls simultaneously through 16 hair-thin fibres.

# Property firms join the queue at BES

By Tony May

In recent weeks, there has been a spate of property companies seeking to raise money under the Business Expansion Scheme, which offers tax relief in exchange for an investment in brand new and risky ventures.

A year ago the Chancellor acted to stop the flotation of companies holding agricultural land as these were regarded as passive — non trading — activities contrary to the aims of the BES. Now Forestry schemes are being frowned upon and many observers expect property operations to join the list unless they can demonstrate that they are traders within the aims of the scheme.

Whether this is a factor in the rush, or merely the closeness of the end of the tax year, business has certainly been brisk. One company, Palmerston Property Developments, says that "since we opened our list on Monday we have been besieged with inquiries from investors."

# Prices head downward

## COMMODITIES

Robin Stainer

PRICES of many soft commodities are on the retreat. Sentiment in the cocoa market has turned decidedly bearish within the past few days, tea prices last week fell to a seven-month low and the gradual decline of coffee continued. Sugar's prospects, meanwhile, remain as gloomy as ever, with the price only just above the recent 15-year low.

Supplies of plantation crops are now more freely available than they were just a few months ago and the picture is unlikely to change much in the short term at least. West African cocoa production is up sharply this season, after the poor 1983-84 showing, when a severe drought resulted in serious crop losses. The region's main producer — the Ivory Coast — is expected to bring in a record 1984-85 crop, with Ghana, Nigeria and Cameroon likely to do significantly better than in 1983-8.

All the signs are that Brazil's main crop has turned out bigger than first forecast and recent good weather has boosted prospects for the second harvest, which begins in a couple of months. Total 1984-85 production in Brazil, in fact, could easily reach a record, while Malaysia's harvest this year seems certain to be the biggest ever.

Within the past month, the US Department of Agriculture has revised upward its original estimate of 1984-85 world production by four per cent, representing an 18 per cent improvement on 1983-84. Most analysts now think that this season's output will be more than adequate to meet world demand, although consumption appears to be doing better than many experts thought likely a few months ago. Trade estimates of the surplus currently range as high as 50,000 tonnes.

The better weather that has helped West African cocoa production this season has also boosted the region's coffee crops. The improvement has been reflected in a fall in the dollar price of the robusta variety (of which Africa is the main source) to its lowest level for more than two years. Central American arabica crops are late this season, but are expected to be fairly large, while a bigger crop is in prospect for Brazil, although latest reports from the country suggest that it will not be quite as abundant as originaly forecast.

Traders report, meanwhile, that import demand for beans has fallen fairly sharply this season, with roasters apparently using up stocks bought towards the end of 1983-84. As a result, producing countries have been unable to fulfil their International Coffee Organisation (ICO) export quotas. Up to the end of January, some 20 per cent of the quota for the first four months of the 1984-85 season had not been used.

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### Geoffrey Gibbs meets Professor Roland Smith, chairman of the House of Fraser

# The man with the hottest seat in town

## BUSINESS PEOPLE

"I FEEL a bit like a general without a war," beamed the House of Fraser chairman Professor Roland Smith last Monday. Sitting shirt-sleeved in the sunlit boardroom at the group's Army and Navy store in Victoria he was cheerfully looking forward to a new, more relaxed era in the department store group's recently turbulent history after reaching agreement on a £615 millions takeover bid from the Egyptian Al Fayed brothers.

The agreement would, he felt, bring a measure of stability to the business and its 27,000 staff after the long years of warfare with Mr Tiny Rowland's Lonrho group.

His moment of relaxation was shortlived. Proving his contention that he occupies the "hottest seat in town" fate, in the shape of the Department of Trade and Industry, intervened to throw the question of Fraser's future ownership back into the melting pot.

Before the week was out the DTI rushed out the recently received Monopolies and Mergers Commission report into the icily uncomfortable relationship between Fraser and its one time largest shareholder. The verdict: that a Lonrho bid would not be against the public interest.

This week the Trade and Industry Secretary, Mr Norman Tebbit, will rule on whether Lonrho is being released from an undertaking given in 1981 not to raise its shareholding in House of Fraser above 29.9 per cent. He will also announce whether the Al Fayed bid is to go under the Monopolies Commission microscope. Those twin decisions, expected in the next couple of days, will determine whether the past years of head to head confrontation with the Lonrho boss are to continue.

Smith, a tough and jovial Mancunian, was brought on to the Fraser board in August, 1980, by Fraser's merchant bank advisers and long-time Lonrho antagonists S. W. Warburg after Mr Rowland had conducted an abortive campaign to secure an increased dividend for Fraser shareholders. The appointment sowed the seeds of a battle in which, in spite of public pronouncements to the contrary, a personal animosity between these two larger than life businessmen has been plain for all to see.

The pressure presented by an opponent as tenacious and fearsome as Mr. Rowland might have broken some men. But Smith, who stands an imposing 6ft. 4in., is made of stern stuff and has come through the ordeal with his sense of humour intact.



*Head of the House: "Get your tanks off my lawn"*

Indeed one of the dominant features of the clashes that have marked the recent history of our largest department stores company is the robust good humour with which the Fraser chairman has conducted the long series of shareholders' meetings necessitated both by the company's own financial calendar and Lonrho's dogged efforts to "demerge" Fraser's flagship store, Harrods.

Seldom stuck for a telling word his call to Lonrho to "get your tanks off my lawn" after the November 1982 EGM at which the Harrods demerger proposals were voted down has proved one of the more enduring phrases in a saga in which the metaphors of battle have been all too appropriate.

Typically, he was not lost for words when the Monopolies Commission report landed on his desk first thing on Thursday morning. "There are more U turns in the report than a London taxi driver performs in Oxford Street," he said.

Born into a Lancashire mining family 56 years ago the Fraser chairman was educated at Manchester Grammar School and Birmingham University where he took a degree in economics. After national service in the RAF and a return to Manchester as a research Fellow he was appointed Professor of Marketing at Manchester University at the academically tender age of 36. He has held that chair for the past 20 years and has no intention of relinquishing the position whatever other commitments he may have to give up.

With a number of other company directorships to his name — he is chairman of Barrow Hepburn, Senior Engineering and Readicut International — he has little time for activities outside the business and academic world other than indulging in an abiding passion for Manchester United, where he is a season ticket holder.

Until the Monopolies Commission ruling was announced at the back end of last week the Professor was by common consent comfortably ahead of his Lonrho opponent on points.

Since replacing Sir Hugh Fraser as chairman in January 1981 he has successfully frustrated Mr Rowland's burning ambition to demerge Harrods while resisting Lonrho inspired attempts to remove him and his tough lieutenant Ernest Sharp from the board.

At the same time he has presided over a strong improvement in House of Fraser's financial affairs. City analysts are predicting a record pre-tax surplus of £45 millions or more for the year to last January when turnover of the business topped the £1,000 millions mark for the first time. In the year to January 1984, House of Fraser made a pre-tax profit of £38.8 millions on turnover of £956 millions.

In agreeing to the Al Fayed bid the Fraser chairman last week delivered what appeared — and may still prove — to be the knockout blow in the long running contest. The Egyptians, who already own 29.9 per cent. of Fraser — acquired, ironically, from Lonrho itself — are bidding 400p a share for full control of the group, a price few would have dreamed of even a year ago.

More importantly, they have stated their intention of retaining their holding — a pronouncement calculated to deter all but the terrier-like Rowland from contemplating a counter offer.

"It's a big price relative to where we have been," says the Fraser chief, recalling that Lonrho sold its shares only last November for 300p and itself tabled a 150p a share bid four years ago.

"I think that at 400p shareholders have done quite well," he adds with the evident satisfaction of a man who sees a job well done. "We have had five or six years of angst and difficulty and I would hope we can now get some stability. The business and our people deserve it."

Whether that hope will be fulfilled depends of course on the position taken by Mr Tebbit next week. But in the event of the Al Fayed takeover going through, Smith is to stay on as full-time chairman, an appointment that acknowledges the role he has played in regenerating the business.

Although he received a substantial rise in remuneration earlier this year it is clear that money has not been the force that has kept him in the Fraser hot seat. So what has persuaded him to keep going in the face of constant pressure from the disaffected Lonrho camp?

"The only way you can survive is to believe in what you are doing," he says. "We have got the business moving in a sector that is not renowned for growth. It's coming right and I think the figures this year will be very, very good indeed.



## WORKING BRIEF

John Torode

# We'll support you ever more

AMONG my souvenirs is a badge bought at last year's Labour Party conference in Blackpool. It shows Mr Arthur Scargill, shoulders back in swaggering self-confidence and wearing that famous peaked baseball hat.

The caption reads simply "King Arthur." It was, I was assured at the time, the most popular item being sold by the striking miners on their fund-raising stall.

There is also a tape of South Wales pickets, singing, to the tune of that fine old hymn, Bread of Heaven, "Arthur Scargill, Arthur Scargill, We'll support you ever more." So much for the two great morally and intellectually austere traditions of the Welsh miners — Nonconformity and Marxism.

In context, spare a thought for the Queen who did (or did not) observe to Mr Paul Routledge, the Labour Editor of the Times, in a private conversation, that the resolution of the strike was "all down to one man." It is easy to see how the confusion (if confusion there was) arose in Her Majesty's mind, and lucky Mr Routledge was there to put her right.

Yet Mr Scargill did perform like a one-man band until the final weeks of the dispute. Messrs McGahey and Heathfield merely carried the begging bucket. Only when it was absolutely clear that the strike was doomed, did the rest of the NUM executive exert themselves and insist, lemming like, upon being fully identified with the failure.

The majority of the NUM membership, in particular youngsters from the militant regions, delighted in the personalised style of leadership delivered by the King. So, indeed, did the King himself. Mr Michael Crick's invaluable (and generally sympathetic) Penguin Special, "Scargill," recalls the pleasure with which, as Yorkshire president, Scargill used to describe his Barnsley headquarters as Camelot. He was for years the self-appointed Mohammed Ali of the coal fields.

"Scargillism", the style and philosophy of this driving man, was uniquely responsible for channelling and focusing the resentment engendered by a century of failed fuel policies, by uncertain attitudes to the running of state-owned industries, and by the fear of mass unemployment. It was topped off by the widespread hatred of something ill-defined but easily identifiable — Thatcherism. Without the charismatic Arthur, the resentment would, quite simply, have found different outlets.

Parenthetically, those on the Left who do not care overmuch for any examination of power of personalities to influence politics, might care to turn to Plekhanov's nineteenth century Marxist classic, The Role of the Individual in History, which examines the phenomenon.

(It is said to have been Lenin's bedside reading in his final months when he was preoccupied by the fearful prospect of the rise and rise of one Joseph Stalin.)

But Scargillism was not — is not — merely a response to the failures of fuel policy, the broader failure of the British economy, and the consensus politics which accompanied it.

Scargillism is more particularly a revolt against the compromise style of union leadership going back almost half a century. The essential of Scargillism is utterly uncompromising consistency. Again turn to Crick. You will find Arthur banging on since the early 1960s about the need to fight uneconomic pits closures. You will find him banging on, too, about the sanctity of conference decisions.

When he ran for the presidency of his union he was already a well-known figure. He was the hero of the Siege of Saltley and the Battle of Grunwick.

The campaign for the presidency he fought with absolute honesty. "What you see is what you get," as Walter Mondale used to say in a different contest. Scargill even advised miners during his election campaign that, if they did not like his style, they would be better off voting for some other candidate. In the event he collected a thumping majority of an amazingly high turn out.

Until the final month of the strike Scargill boasted that he had not given an inch in negotiations. It was only when the full executive stepped in that compromise was imposed over his head — and rejected by the NCB as inadequate. Even on the final, fearful Sunday, Scargill still wanted the crumbling strike to continue. It was only his loyalty to conference decisions which over-rode his stand — a stand taken, not during the past 12 months but over 20 years and more.

No wonder there were tears and anger and utter confusion among the striking miners outside Congress House. Was Arthur suddenly part of the consensus or still part of the resistance to it.

Or both at the same time? Mr Scargill had been turned round by the only authority he accepted — the authority of his national executive and his delegate conference.

Was he to resign in disgust and lead a wildcat rump? Was he of all people to form a breakaway union? To ask such nonsensical questions is to answer them.

Scargill is free to signal to his militants "We wuz robbed" — and robbed, moreover, by the enemies within the executive and the conference, by a "scab" regions like Nottinghamshire which voted to work through the strike, by "scab" miners in striking areas, and by other "scab" trade unionists. They stood by and saw the strike go down: they crossed picket lines and handled "black" fuels; they refused even to donate 50p a week to keep the miners' show on the road.

Of such stuff are myths and martyrs made. But only when there is an element of truth behind the kiddology. The union leaders of the post-war world — all of them, without exception, left, right and centre — were men of the fudge-and-nudge world they had helped to create. It is a world in appalling economic decline.

Scargill went into the strike despising the compromising general council (from which he had resigned in disgust) and its then general secretary, (Len Murray [as was] was not even allowed Scargill's home phone number.)

Scargill came out of the dispute his views unchanged. He still despises the union bosses and Labour's political leaders who make a virtue of "accepting" conferences resolutions and then bargain them away or blandly ignore them in office. He is the industrial equivalent of the Labour activists who fought to establish the supremacy of party conference in the 1970s.

The union old guard varied between the highly intellectual and the appallingly thick. Some were deeply reactionary. Some were Communists. Quite a few were both. They embraced men of the highest moral stature and some right villains. Mostly they were just decent, concerned blokes doing their pragmatic best.

And there's the rub. Pragmatism involves what George Woodcock used to call "shoddy, shabby, dirty compromise." Its only justification is economic success. Until we achieve that, pragmatism will come under repeated fire from the absolutists. Industrialists have not heard the last of Scargillism.


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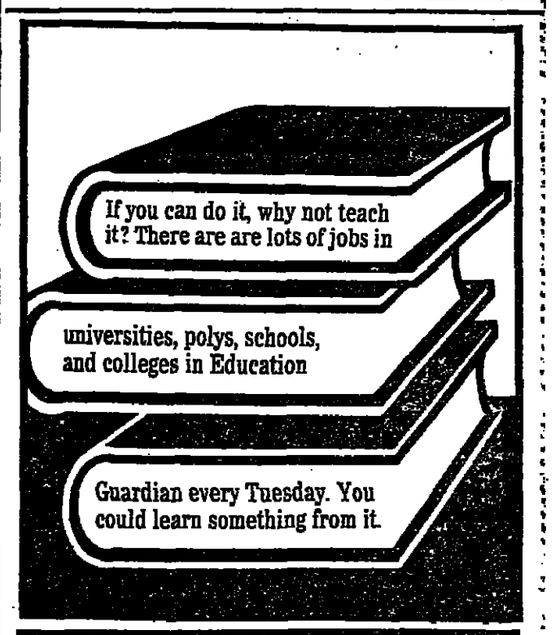
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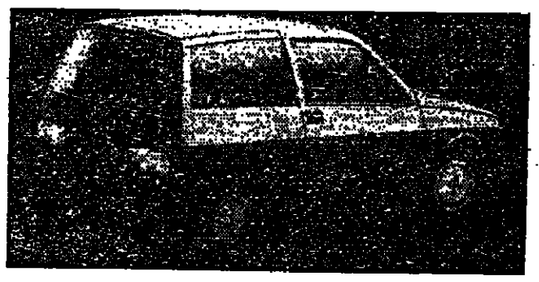
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# No real solution yet to pollution

## Emission control displaces the cars as topic of the show at Geneva. Roy Harry reports





*The Lancia Y10 (left), Ford Cosworth Sierra (top right), and the Bentley Project 90*

THE CARS took second place at the Geneva Motor Show. In a country seemingly obsessed with speed limits working on a 100 kilometres an hour maximum on the autoroutes and imposing a special £10 levy on visitors who wish to use them, the exhibition hall and its various annexes turned into a vast debating arena with the protection of the environment and the plight of Europe's forests dominating. "These days, you have to be greener than the Greens," appears to be the driving force, and spokesmen from all the major manufacturers put forward strong views on emission control.

The trouble is that not all see the same solution: the only agreement is that they all have a problem. The show organisers even went so far as to issue a special handout listing the car firms announcing exhaust catalysts at the salon: more than 30 of them. That did not please the British manufacturers one little bit. They see the catalyst as a short-term measure that will only produce a short-term result, and point an accusing finger at the West German Government which under strong, political pressure has a go-it-alone policy on the catalyser. Says Harry Hooper, president of the UK Society of Motor Manufacturers and Traders. "The use of catalytic converters is an outdated, expensive, and unreliable form of emission control. They use up more fuel and are ineffective in many driving conditions. More important, from long American experience, we know that large numbers of motorists drive around with defective converters on their cars.

"Emission levels will probably be higher than they would be by using the new generation of lean burn engines which are a more reliable and much more economical means of control. The cost of fitting converters would be quite staggering. In Britain alone it would cost the motorist some £2,000 million a year — almost as much as the country spends annually on our roads. The motorists of Europe will be penalised by some £10,000 to £12,000 millions."

Hooper stresses that the motor industry is as anxious as any government or pressure group to reduce emissions, but adds that vehicle exhausts are believed to contribute only about 7.5 per cent to the acid rain problem. "Pollution from exhaust fumes has been halved in the last ten years and there is new technology to reduce it further.

"The catalytic converter was the only means available in the sixties, but it is not the answer for the eighties and beyond." It is, says Dr Rudolf Hornig, the Daimler-Benz director in charge of research and development, a confused tangle of statements of intent and counter-proposals bringing unclarity to motor manufacturers and customers alike. An example of that disarray comes from Teiichi Hara, executive managing director of Nissan, who took the show to give him a platform to declaim his company's standpoint. Emission standards in Japan are among the most stringent in the world and most low emission cars currently in service in that country and the United States have catalytic converters which, he says, proves how effective they are. And surprise, surprise the Nissan solution would also be the most workable solution for Europe, too.

It is obvious that public opinion is heating up but these piecemeal approaches make little sense with time and money being wasted as avenues of research develop into dead-ends. With the millions that some companies have already invested one can easily understand how they are reluctant to acknowledge defeat.

But there is a nasty suspicion that the political expedient is taking precedence over the practical resolution. In the midst of this war of words it would be a pity not to remember that there was also a motor show taking place; well attended, yet even the organisers were aware of a political minefield . . . "At a time when the pessimists are bemoaning what they see as the increasing gulf between German and French-speaking Switzerland, the motor show remains one of the great occasions when all parts of the country can come together to share in a communal celebration of the coming of spring. The importance of this social aspect of the motor show with its accent on simple human relations rather than technology and business should not be underestimated," they told me. Well that is certainly a new one. In fact, in spite of the pre-show publicity attempts, it is a somewhat low key affair not totally afflicted by the damp and dismal days beforehand.

Most attention went to just a handful of cars, one of which did not even have an engine. Lancia have a new baby and a most winning car it is indeed. The rather awkwardly named Y10 seems a very practical solution to a wide range of wants. It is a compact three-door hatchback, but the intention is that it will offer a high level of specification not normally found on such a car, perhaps even creating a category of its own. there are three states of engine tune: 45, 55, and 85 bhp, and in the most expensive form the car will have central locking, electric windowlifts, sunroof, and many other creature comforts. The shape might at first seem a little strange but it aids fuel economy and quietness. All-round visibility is good, headroom more than adequate for most, but a shade more legroom might have helped. However, since the car measures just 11 feet 2 inches, the result is a reasonable compromise. It is due in Britain in early June and prices seem likely to range up to about £5,800 for the lavishly equipped turbo-charged version.

I wish I could be so informed about one of the surprises of the show. Not quite sensational but nonetheless a real cracker from Volvo, a Bertone designed coupe clearly based upon the 700 series saloon but also quite distinctive, a car that many manufacturers would have been proud to have had bearing their own names and on their stand.

Volvo have developed two new engines for what to them are important markets — the United States and Italy — where it is to go on sale during what the makers' jargon terms "the next model year." That effectively means in about six months' time, but I suspect that it will be quite some time longer before right hand drive versions become available.

They will be expensive but it is a car that will totally eliminate any lingering thoughts that Volvo only builds cars for retired bank managers wearing trilby hats: a car to write home about.

Bentley came up with a full-sized styling mock-up of a two-door coupe that decided viewers. A car that if it ever sees production you will either love or loathe. It bears no resemblance to anything in the current Rolls-Royce, Bentley range and in some ways is reminiscent of the Bentley Continental types of the 'fifties. Or even of the thirties. It is coded Project 90

In some ways it is easier to understand what Project 90 is not rather than what it is. It is not an attempt to expand the boundaries of styling and concept engineering that is so often to be found with motor show specials. Nor would it be a low-cost Bentley slipping below with mainstream model or an attempt to move the company into a different volume of manufacturing. Geneva was a testing of the waters and my view is that it is fairly unlikely that production will ever be authorised: if we are to see a new Bentley coupe, then it will be much removed from this exercise.

Last year Ford sold more new cars in Western Europe than any other single manufacturer with a record 12.9 per cent of the market, and much of that dominance was evident at the show. Making its debut was the four-wheel drive Sierra with automatic centre and rear limited slip differentials giving better control over wheelspin and improved traction and roadholding in all conditions. It will be available in Britain from May.

But the real significance of the car is that it is a Ford. Just as we in Britain held mixed views about diesel powered cars until the market really took off when Ford entered, so it could well prove with 4wd: it could well mean that even after such notable champions as Audi and Subaru, the day of all-wheel drive for family cars was about to dawn. And every other major manufacturer is working on similar projects.

Ford did not end there. There is a new high performance Sierra with a two-litre injected power unit offering a 118 miles per hour maximum also with a May date for UK: and there is an out and out Cosworth powered Sierra due for production at Genk in Belgium towards the end of this year. A minimum of 5,000 will be built — the number necessary for the car to compete in international touring car races. It should top 150 miles per hour but if that is not enough, Ford promise a range of special tuning equipment. And not to be left out, they also announced a $200 million European emission control programme.


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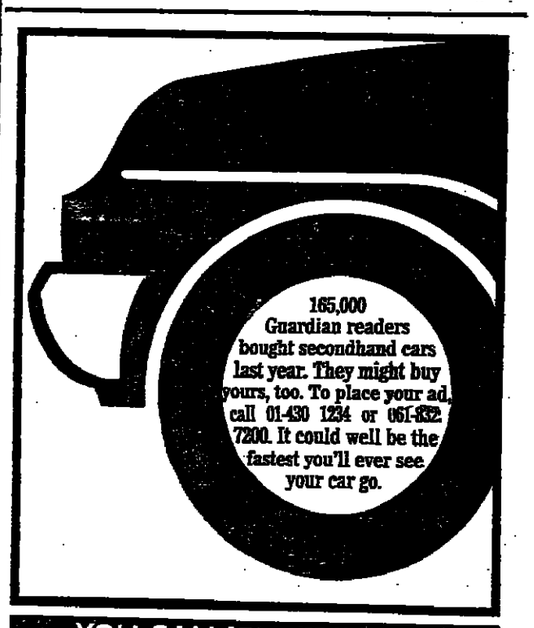
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JOHN PLAYER CUP QUARTER FINALS

David Frost — Coventry 10, Leicester 10

# Coventry pack take command

RUGBY UNION

IT IS NO coincidence that the four semi-finalists in the John Player Cup—Coventry, Bath, Gloucester and London Welsh—have all got hard and expertly drilled packs of forwards. Certainly the message from Coundon Road, where Coventry got through by scoring two tries to Leicester's one in a 10-10 draw, was that such a pack is still a vital ingredient to success.

I once saw a Coventry front row of Judd, Godwin, and McLean take 13 heels against the head in one match at Coundon Road. The present side have not yet achieved that degree of expertise. But it was entirely due to the efficiency of their forwards, together with their single-minded perseverance in playing to that point of strength, that Coventry managed in the end to frustrate a Leicester team brimming with inventive creativity.

What made this a magnificent match was that Leicester, in spite of giving away a try in the first minute, never abandoned their attempts to win through the flamboyant play of their clever backs. They played some marvellous attacking and counter-attacking rugby in the first-half, but in the second they were simply starved of possession by the combined skill of the Coventry forwards.

Coventry's first try was a gift. Near their own line Leicester attempted a daring move in which Hare played at stand-off half with Cusworth outside him. Unfortunately for Leicester, Cusworth's pass was not accepted by Woodward, and Summers grabbed the loose ball for a try, which Thomas converted.

But Coventry's second try, a pushover scored by Robbins 11 minutes into the second half, was a reward for the relentless pressure being applied by Johnson and his pack at scrum, line-out, and maul. Kidner dominated the line-outs, and nothing was more impressive than the way Farrington, who came on in the first half as substitute for the injured Travers, repeatedly drove ahead with possession won by Kidner.

At all times the Coventry forwards smuggled the ball most effectively at the mauls, keeping Leicester in the dark as to where the next drive was going to come from. If the ball was released, Thomas, Lakey or Ralston would punt the ball into the air, trying to unsettle Hare.

Leicester led 7-6 at the interval through a penalty goal by Hare and a spectacular counter-attacking try scored by Dodge. Soon after Coventry's second try Hare made it 10-10 with a second penalty goal. He had two more chances later, but the positions proved too difficult.

It is sad that a team of Leicester's great potential should be out of the Cup. But there can be no doubt that Coventry will be worthy representatives of the Midlands in the semi-finals.

Coventry: M. Fairs; M. Summers, C. Ralston, T. Battimore, S. Hall; M. Lakey, S. Thomas; S. Wilkes, S. Brain, L. Johnson (capt), B. Kidner, A. Gulliver, R. Travers (sub A. Farrington), G. Robbins, M. Trumper.
Leicester: W. Hare; B. Evans, P. Dodge, C. Woodward, R. Underwood; L. Cusworth, S. Keeney; W. Richardson, P. Wheeler, S. Redfern, M. Poulton-Arnold, K. Steptoe, I. Smith (capt), D. Richards, J. Wells.
Referee: G. Crawford (London Society).

David Irvine — Sale 15, Bath 25

# Bath top of class

Only four sides have won at Sale in the past three years but it was significant that Bath's victory on Saturday, like those of Harlequins and Moseley in the two preceding seasons, should come in the John Player Cup. On paper Sale went into the match with the best record of any English club; in the event it was Bath who had the class, going forward to the semi-finals more decisively than the 25-15 score might indicate.

Bath travelled north with a strict no-frills sense of purpose that enabled them to take and keep control throughout. Their one weakness was in conceding so many kicks, enabling Sale to keep the flame of hope flickering.

As a contest it did not quite live up to expectations. A whistling obbligato — 22 penalties in the second half alone — left one spectator complaining: "If I had wanted to hear James Galway I would have gone to the Free Trade Hall" and did nothing to promote continuity.

It was hard to see why Sale persisted in using their back row as their chief strike force. Not only did it play into Bath's hands but Fitton, at their heels, had such a wretched game. Of the thrilling play which brought them six tries against Coventry earlier in the season, there was never a sign.

Hall and Simpson in the open and Spurrell in the more explosive close quarter areas were, with the lively Hill, Bath's match winners with Horton, back on his old stamping ground, showing sound judgment in his support kicking.

Their two tries illustrated Hill's sharpness and, at the same time, the uncertainty of the Sale defence. Simpson followed him off a scrum for the first, charging through from 25 yards, and Trick, with a juggle and a swerve, accepted a reverse pass en route to the second.



*HILL: sharp contribution*

The rest was familiar blood-and-thunder stuff with Sale, though lacking Bath's skills, matching them for enthusiasm and keeping in touch with Jennion's five penalties. Trick (three) and Palmer answered in kind with Palmer also adding a conversion and Horton a drop goal.

Sale: G. Jennion; H. Thomas, P. Stansfield, A. Bond (capt), J. Dyson; A. Egan, H. Fitton; M. Higgs, A. Simpson, N. Calvery, C. Shaw, J. McKie, S. Tipping, N. Gaffney, M. Keswick (sub, P. Sherratt).
Bath: C. Martin; D. Trick, J. Palmer, S. Halliday, sub C. Stanley), R. Trevaskis; J. Horton, R. Hill; G. Chilcott, G. Bess, R. Lee, N. Redman, N. Caymaud, R. Spurrell (capt), J. Hall, P. Simpson.
Referee: A. Rees (Hampshire).

● Sale had some comfort for the John Player Cup defeat with Orrell's home defeat by Headingley, which means that Sale are now likely to win the Northern Merit Table.

ROUND-UP : Barrie Fairall

# Price inspires late drive by Welsh

CONSIDERING they were rendered almost impotent by Cup jitters for more than an hour at the Old Deer Park on Saturday, London Welsh rediscovered their manhood in the most forceful manner. Just as Waterloo were mounting what appeared to be the match winning drive, the Welsh struck with 18 points in the last quarter of an hour.

The Welsh may look the most vulnerable side going into this morning's semi-final draw, but prospective opponents should note that the Welsh on their own patch — and looking to produce something special in their centenary year — are going to be the very red devils to beat. For one thing, they should be at full strength again come Saturday week.

Considering they were missing three first choice backs — one being their astute captain, Clive Rees, who sat nervously by the stands — the Welsh performed nobly. Colyn Price gave a splendid performance at stand-off. He turned Waterloo with impeccable tactical kicking, landing two penalties, a dropped goal and converting the tries scored by Jeremy Hughes and Mark Douglas that finally killed off their opponents.

Harlequins, London's other quarter-final contestants, were predictably battered and buried in the graveyard reserved for visitors to Kingsholm. Gloucester, intent on going the distance, applied the forward screw with the usual subtlety and trampled on to their 19th successive home win of the season by the profitable margin of 31-12.

Quins, who were never more than a score behind for much of the afternoon, ended up in a bad state. John Oliver received some close attention off the ball which meant that Ian Milne, Scotland's prop, had to hook and lob the ball hopefully into the line-out. This suited Gloucester admirably.

The pickings were rich. There were two tries for Derek Morgan, another for Nick Price and five penalties and two conversions from the sure-footed Tim Smith. Harlequins, licked and licking their wounds, departed with a try from Alex Woodhouse and a conversion and two penalties from Marcus Rose.

# Lad is Gold Cup doubt

RACING

Richard Baerlein



*Floyd winning the William Hill Imperial Cup at Sandown on Saturday*

Burrough Hill Lad has cut a knee at exercise and his attempt to win a second Tote Cheltenham Gold Cup on Thursday hangs in the balance. Jenny Pitman's gelding sustained the cut — above the boot on the inside of his off-fore knee — while galloping on Saturday. Mrs Pitman said last night: "The cut is proving to be somewhat troublesome and my vet says he has only a 50-50 chance of running in the Gold Cup.

"He's been cut above the boot before but it has never blown up like this. The vet will see him again in the morning but at least he has done all his work for Cheltenham and won't miss any."

Burrough Hill Lad, whose successes this season include the Hennessy Cognac Gold Cup under 12st and the King George VI Chase, is long odds-on to lift the £30,000-added prize under champion jockey John Francome.

Of the three Seagram Grand National candidates who appeared on Saturday, Lucky Vane, Tacroy and Hallo Dandy, only the first named in the Sandown Open Handicap acquitted himself with any credit.

Lucky Vane has been my National Hope all season and when I saw his handicap mark my confidence increased. After seeing his performance on Saturday I can confidently assert that if he goes round Aintree without making a mistake, he will be returned the winner.

That was the opinion of his trainer Toby Balding, who was positively delighted with the performance. From the time Lucky Vane finished fourth to Hallo Dandy last year, Balding has never lost confidence that this 10-year-old would emulate his Highland Wedding, who won in 1969.

Lucky Vane did win the three-mile National Hunt Chase at Cheltenham in 1981 when the heavy ground and the uphill finish enabled him to get up close home. Those days are gone, however, and nothing shorter than four miles is normally any use to him now.

The going at Sandown was good and the distance, three miles, 118 yards, so no wonder Lucky Vane eased in the market. Yet he came far too close to success for the comfort of those who ridiculed his chance by finishing one length behind Gesta and Ulsce, who in turn was beaten a neck by the favourite Dumper.

A mistake at the fifth from home may have cost Lucky Vane the race but as it was he came flying from the last fence making up the best part of 20 lengths. In a few more strides the race was his. Toiling in the background was Tacroy, the subject of a major gamble in last year's National and supported again this time by his sporting owner.

We know Lucky Vane stays for ever and he appears to have more speed than a year ago. Hills were so impressed that they brought him down to joint favourite with Greasepaint at 8-1. Ladbroke's kept Greasepaint favourite at 8-1 with 10-1 Lucky Vane. The Tote, who had Lucky Vane at 12-1 all last week may again offer the best price this morning. Mecca go 9-1 each of them.

Last year's National winner, Hallo Dandy, was far less impressive in the Scottish Farm Dairy Foods Chase at Ayr than a year ago, when he finished second. He had lost his place by halfway to finish a distant fifth. However, it has always been dangerous to assess proved Aintree performers on a failure on a park type course. He had not run since November 22 and held his National price of 12-1.

Hills are luckily big enough to withstand the stupendous gamble which developed on Floyd in their sponsored Imperial Cup. When they opened the betting last Tuesday evening Floyd was on offer at 7-2 and by the off on Saturday he had been laid at all prices down to 13-8.

The gamble was never in danger as Floyd made all the running to finish eight lengths ahead of Prideaux Boy. Seldom has a field of 16 useful handicap hurdlers been treated with such disdain. Had there been any penalties for last week's victory at Newbury, Floyd would have still won with ease.

He has now won his three races this season, starting at the beginning of February, by making all the running each time, and with only 9st 12lb in the original handicap and now a 7lb penalty, it is hard to see how he can be beaten in the County Handicap Hurdle at Cheltenham on Thursday.

David Elsworth, in the midst of a marvellous run, may have done the bookmakers a terrible turn with Floyd but at least he saved the day for them at Sandown after five consecutive winning favourites by sending out Bluelimit at 20-1 to win the last.

Nevertheless, Elsworth has sufficiently shaken the Hill outfit for them to shorten his Daily Express Triumph Hurdle candidate, Jamesmead to 10-1.

The report that public and rails telephones are being bugged throughout Britain will surely only concern a few members of the betting industry.

Owners and trainers generally make their plans well in advance, and I think the reports of trainers advising owners on the phone at the last minute to have big bets are highly suspect.

I have had the confidence of a number of top owners and jockeys during my career and long before the days of bugging we were always most careful in our telephone discussions. Then, it was not the fear of bugging but the keen interest of the telephone operators at Lambourn, Newmarket, etc, who had the privilege of listening to so much racing conversation without moving an inch.

RICHARD BAERLEIN'S SELECTIONS:—Nap: POSTDYNE (3 15 Southwell). Next best: PIKE'S PEAK (3 30 Ayr).

## AYR CARD

2 00 Marlion | 2 30 The Man Himself (nb) | 3 00 Troilena | 3 30 Sherman Gutrey | 4 00 Charles Duke | 4 30 Broad View

5 00 CLEREMOUNT (Nap)

* DENOTES BLINKERS. GOING: Good.

**2 0—SLAPHOUSE NOVICE HURDLE: Div. I; 2m; £788 (10 runners).**

1 P0003 BRILLIANT FELLOW (Mrs M. Cowan) P. Monteith 8-11-2 ......... D. Nolan
4 0000 EASBY BUCK (Easby Stud) J. Kettlewell 5-11-2 ......... C. Grant
8 SCOTTISH SIMBIR (Mrs W. Crawford) W. Crawford 5-11-2 B. Caskey (4)
10 PP-00 STALLAS BOY (G. Themis) J. Wilson 5-11-2 ......... S. Charlton
11 24 STAR BURST (W. Francis) R. B. Francis 5-11-2 ......... C. Cowley (7)
13 F GREY LIL (T. Ewing) R. Allan 5-10-11 ......... J. Hansen (4)
14 F0 MILTON LOCKHART (W. Young) W. Young 6-10-11 ... Mr R. Robinson (4)
15 3 MARLION (Mrs M. Grant) Miss S. Hall 4-10-8 ......... T. Keelan (4)
16 WISE CRACKER (Melchan & Cox Ltd) G. Richards 4-10-8 ......... N. Doughty
17 0 FORLORN MOLLY (J. Wight) J. Wight 4-10-3 ......... Mr A. Wight

Betting forecast: 11-8 Star Burst, 2 Marlion, 3 Wise Cracker, 12 Brilliant Fellow.
TOP FORM TIPS: Star Burst 8, Marlion 7, Brilliant Fellow 6.

**2 30—ROSEMOUNT HANDICAP HURDLE: 2½m; £1,196 (7 runners).**

1 3-1F010 THE MAN HIMSELF (D) (BF) (E. Briggs) G. Richards 5-11-11 N. Doughty
3 100-330 BURGUNDY (C/D) (C. Alexander) C. Alexander 6-10-13 Mr A. Dudgeon (4)
4 01-1103 HATTERAS (D. Lillie) G. Richards 5-10-12 ......... D. Caskey (4)
5 001000 ALBERTAT (J. Spedding) Denys Smith 5-10-7 ......... C. Grant
6 410300- SLAVE KING (D) (A. Wylie) J. S. Wilson 6-10-6 ......... S. Charlton
7 U0F22-0 RABY (W. McFarlane) R. Allan 6-10-0 ......... J. Hansen (4)
8 2023P0 LAUGH-A-MINUTE (C) (Mrs D. Culham) Mrs D. Culham 6-10-0 ......... P. A. Farrell (7)

Betting forecast: 2 The Man Himself, 100-30 Hatteras, 5 Burgundy, 6 Albertat, 8 Raby, 10 Slave King, 12 Laugh-A-Minute.
TOP FORM TIPS: The Man Himself 8, Hatteras 7.

**3 0—ARTHUR CHALLENGE CUP (HANDICAP CHASE): 2½m; £1,809 (8 runners).**

4 F0/0-00 HAPPY VOYAGE (S. Hartley) C. Parker 10-10-7 ......... M. Barnes
5 21F11F THE DIVIDER (C) (D) (BF) (J. Aitken) Mrs T. Calder 7-11-4 T. G. Dun
8 P-11133 ANOTHER CITY (E. Briggs) G. Richards 6-11-2 ......... N. Doughty
8 402111 TROILENA (4lb ex) (R. Coen) R. Fisher 9-10-13 ......... J. Doyle (4)
9 0301/0- MISTY BASCAL (D) (W. Morrison) W. Crawford 10-10-11 D. Caskey (4)
10 000F01- TELE-VECTOR (C. Hixon) J. S. Wilson 7-10-0 ......... C. Grant
11 300422 SHAMROCK BRIDGE (M. Clarke) R. Francis 9-10-0 ......... R. Crank
12 00/F RED CHARLES (R. Reid) I. Ferguson (Ire) 8-10-0 .........

Betting forecast: 11-4 The Divider, 3 Troilena, 7-2 Another City, 5 Shamrock Bridge, 10 Happy Voyage, 12 Red Charles.
TOP FORM TIPS: Troilena 8, The Divider 7, Another City 6.

**3 30—SLAPHOUSE NOVICE HURDLE: Div 2; 2m; £792 (10 runners).**

1 2103 CHIPPED METAL (D) (J. Barlow) R. Francis 6-11-10 ......... R. Crank
3 0 BREAKER (G. Lowe) M. Naughton 5-11-2 ......... C. Grant
4 0/0200 COPY WRITER (H. Jackson) T. Cuthbert 7-11-2 ......... D. McCaskill
7 0/0-F0 THIS ONES FOR YOU (M. Thompson) V. Thompson 6-11-2 ......... Mr M. Thompson (7)
8 0P0000 BRIGHT SUGGESTION (T. Goldie) T. Goldie 7-10-11 .........
10 0-00000 COLISLACK (H. McConnell) H. McConnell 7-10-11 ... Mr D. Swindlehurst (7)
11 00-0000 FASHKN (Mrs A. Robertson) D. Robertson 6-10-11 ... Mr A. Robertson (7)
14 JIM THORPE (M. C. Inns Ltd) G. Richards 4-10-8 ......... D. Caskey (4)
15 3 PIKE'S PEAK (Hippodrome Racing) Miss S. Hall 4-10-8 ......... D. Dutton
16 30 SHERMAN GUTREY (W. Peacock) G. Richards 4-10-8 ......... N. Doughty

Betting forecast: 2 Chipped Metal, 5-2 Pike's Peak, 4 Beaker, 5 Jim Thorpe, 8 Sherman Gutrey, 12 Copy Writer.
TOP FORM TIPS: Chipped Metal 8, Pike's Peak 7, Beaker 6.

**4 0—HOLLYBUSH NOVICE CHASE: 3m 110yds; £1,232 (8 runners).**

1 0003U2 AMBER WINE (T. Blair) I. Ferguson (Ire) 8-11-9 .........
2 4-1001U CHARLES DUKE (C/D) (J. Morrison) G. Richards 8-11-9 ... D. Caskey (4)
4 D4F/0U0 DAY OF WISHES (W. A. Stephenson) W. A. Stephenson 9-11-3 ......... Mr P. J. Dun
5 000 DIGGER BARNES (J. Wight) J. Wight 6-11-3 ......... Mr A. Wight
6 443U0F HILL GREEN (V. Love) R. Francis 9-11-3 ......... R. Crank
7 4-2040F ICE HILL (Miss S. Wilson) Miss S. Wilson 9-11-3 ......... S. Shilston
8 000FP- JONATHAN'S CHOICE (D. Robertson) D. Robertson 11-11-3 ......... Mr D. Robertson
12 F40-348 MISS MAYO (Mrs R. Carr) C. Parker 8-10-12 ......... M. Barnes

Betting forecast: 3 Ice Hill, 7-2 Charles Duke, 4 Hill Green, 5 Amber Wine, 10 Digger Barnes, 12 Miss Mayo, Day Of Wishes.
TOP FORM TIPS: Amber Wine 8, Charles Duke 7, Ice Hill 6.

**4 30—AYRSHIRE HUNTERS CHALLENGE CUP NOVICE CHASE: Amateur riders; 3m 110yds; £788 (4 runners).**

1 32/ BROAD VIEW (Mrs E. Borthwick) Mrs E. Borthwick 10-11-10 ......... R. Robinson (7)
2 COULTERS CANDY * (D. McGarva) D. McGarva 6-11-10 S. Cunningham (7)
4 20132P/ LOUIS ROEDERER (J. Wight) J. Wight 8-11-10 ......... A. Wight (7)
9 P/2300- PANEGYRIST (C. Alexander) C. Alexander 10-11-10 ......... P. Craggs

Betting forecast: 7-4 Broad View, 2 Coulters Candy, 3 Panegyrist, 6 Louis Roederer.
TOP FORM TIPS: Broad View 8, Louis Roederer 6.

**5 0—GRUNWICK STAKES NATIONAL HUNT FLAT RACE: 2m; £777 (15 runners).**

1 01 CLEREMOUNT (D) (P. Monteith) P. Monteith 5-12-1 ......... D. James (7)
2 040- CAPTAIN CURTAIN (Mrs C. Brennan) R. Fisher 5-11-8 ......... K. Ryan (7)
3 0 HARLEY (Miss J. Eaton) Miss J. Eaton 5-11-8 ......... Mr P. Dennis (7)
4 JACK OF CLUBS (B. McLean) B. McLean 5-11-8 ......... Mr T. Reid (4)
5 0 WALKERS LODGE (Mrs R. Sharratt) M. Naughton 5-11-6 ... D. Nolan (7)
6 0 DIZZY DORA (Miss Z. Green) Miss Z. Green 5-11-3 ......... Jayne Thompson (7)
8 4 SEA CRACKER (Mrs J. Ivory) G. Richards 5-11-3 ......... A. Wilson (7)
9 TREGENHOG (R. McAlpine) R. Francis 5-11-3 ......... C. Cowley (7)
10 0 BIG WHITE CHIEF (K. Lockwood) J. P. Smith 4-11-0 ... P. A. Farrell (7)
13 00 KAMBALDAS BOY (J. Thom) J. Thom 4-11-0 ......... S. Cunningham (7)
14 0 SILENT CITY (J. Beck) J. Beck 4-11-0 ......... J. Johnston (7)
15 00 SONNY ONE SHINE (D. Kane) R. Allan 4-11-0 ......... Miss M. Bell
16 2 YOU KNOW (R. Jarvis) Miss S. Hall 4-11-0 ......... C. Platts
19 PLATINUM BLOND (G. Reed) C. Thornton 4-10-9 ......... G. Harker (7)
20 SPRING SNIDN (R. Askew) T. Cuthbert 4-10-9 ......... Mr L. Hudson

Betting forecast: 2 Cleremount, 5-2 You Know, 5 Sea Cracker, 6 Platinum Blond, 10 Walkers Lodge, 12 Captain Curtain.
TOP FORM TIPS: Cleremount 8, Sea Cracker 7, You Know 6.

# Big Irish Festival challenge

MY annual even fiver bet with an Irish colleague that his countrymen will not saddle five winners at the three-day Cheltenham Festival meeting beginning tomorrow, looks slightly dodgy for they are expected to have at least 40 runners, among them Ararun, Bobsline, Eliogarty and Buck House, who are considered by many Irishmen as bankers.

They could get off to a quick start tomorrow with Ararun in the Waterford Crystal Supreme Novice Hurdle, which had gone to an Irish trained horse for seven consecutive years before Browne's Gazette won it last year, and if Buck House or Boreen Prince take the Arkle Chase and strongly fancied Seskin Bridge wins the Kim Muir Cup, then I may as well pay up.

It is in my favour, however, that since 1946 Irish trainers have saddled the winners of 157 races, giving them an average of only four.

By the end of today's racing I hope to have obtained some insurance by supporting Cleremount (5.0) in the Grunwick Stakes run on the flat at Ayr and The Man Himself (2.30) in the Rosemount Handicap Hurdle.

At Southwell, trainer in form, Nicky Henderson, could have another good afternoon with Deep Echo (2.15), Paulatim (3.45) and Lawn Meet (4.45).

HARRY HEYMER

## SOUTHWELL

2 15 Deep Echo | 2 45 Super-Dip | 3 15 Nero Wolf | 3 45 Paulatim | 4 15 Prominent Artist | 4 45 Lawn Meet

* DENOTES BLINKERS. GOING: Soft

**2 15—EGMANTON NOVICE HURDLE: 2m; £874 (16 runners).**

4 0 CHELTENHAM FUN H. Collingridge 5-11-6 .........
5 3-0F CHURCH HALL E. Jones 6-11-6 ......... K. Doolan (4)
6 030 DEEP ECHO N. Henderson 5-11-6 ......... J. White
7 P DELIGHTING G. Vergette 5-11-6 ......... S. Johnson
14 0-P OWERSVILLE R. Champion 6-11-6 ......... R. Rowe
19 U ARBATINA M. Chapman 6-11-1 ......... E. Evans (7)
20 0002 CAUCHEMAR Mrs J. Barrow 6-11-1 ......... Peter Hobbs
21 COMEDY CASTLE J. Spearing 7-11-1 ......... A. Webb
24 P LADY WREKIN D. Wintle 5-11-1 ......... A. Carroll
25 4-P3434 SCOTTISH BAVARD J. Webber 6-11-1 ......... G. McCourt
28 00 THE HOATZIN J. Webber 5-11-1 ......... A. Webber
30 00- TIPPERARY SAINT J. Cosgrove 7-11-0 ......... G. Gaffikin
33 00 BRUNEVAL A. Jarvis 4-10-12 ......... S. Smith Eccles
36 00 MELWAY BOY S. Bowring 4-10-12 ......... D. Shaw
39 00 ROSEMAN J. Leigh 4-10-12 ......... P. Blackburn (7)
40 P0 TITILLO D. Ancil 4-10-7 ......... E. White

Betting forecast: 7-4 Deep Echo, 13-4 Cauchemar, 9-2 Scottish Bavard, 8 Bruneval, 10 The Hoatzin.
TOP FORM TIPS: Deep Echo 8, Scottish Bavard 7, Cauchemar 6.

**2 45—KERSALL SELLING HURDLE: 2m; £711 (14 runners).**

3 2-00003 PICKET LINE W. Clay 5-11-10 ......... S. O'Neill
4 00-PP PRINCE LAFITE * J. Scallan 5-11-10 ......... J. Barlow
7 FFP PAMRULLAH C. Spares 5-11-5 .........
9 AESCULAPIUS J. Campbell 4-10-9 ......... M. Hammond
15 0040P HIGHVIEW P. Bevan 4-10-9 ......... R. Hatfield (7)
17 00P PIARA SINGH J. Campbell 4-10-9 ......... B. Campbell (4)
18 003 SUPER DIP R. Hoad 4-10-9 ......... M. Hoad (7)
19 00 VILLAGE POACHER T. Bill 4-10-9 ......... C. Williams (7)
20 DBOF WITH A LOT * M. Chapman 6-10-9 ......... E. Evans (7)
24 BLAKESWARE GIFT Rex Carter 4-10-4 ......... P. Barton
31 FFPP48 MUMMY'S FANCY * M. Ryan 4-10-4 ......... J. McLaughlin
32 PF00 MY DITTY D. Wooden 4-10-4 ......... K. Townsend (7)
33 4 WENSUM LASS B. McMahon 4-10-4 ......... T. Wall
35 P0 WHAT A PRINCESS A. Moore 4-10-4 ......... J. Akehurst

Betting forecast: 2 Super Dip, 5-2 Picket Line, 7-2 Mummy's Fancy, 6 Blakesware Gift, 10 Highview, 12 Wensum Lass.
TOP FORM TIPS: Super Dip 8, Picket Line 7, Wensum Lass 6.

**3 15—LANGFORD NOVICE HANDICAP CHASE: 2m 74yds; £825 (13 runners).**

3 P0/PP FADING DAWN D. Henley 9-11-7 W. Worthington (7)
4 013314 POSTDYNE (C/D) (BF) W. Kemp 10-11-6 P. Carroll
6 03-0003 JONDALE M. Lambert 8-11-5 ......... P. A. Charlton
8 33U840 FLYING MISTRESS J. Webber 7-11-4 G. McCourt
9 KAMIR A. Jarvis 5-11-1 ......... K. Burke (7)
10 00-1300 KAMIR B. Preece 6-10-12 ......... R. Strange
11 041FUF PAPERACER B. Preece 6-10-12 ......... R. Strange
13 00-0P00 CURTAIN BUN Mrs S. Davenport 7-10-12 A. Sharpe
14 0-01F04 NERO WOLF D. Brennan 8-10-10 ......... M. Brisbourne
16 FD0600 VICTOR DUB * M. Castell 7-10-5 ......... W. Knox (7)
18 P/0P-PP SNAP'N SEAL Mrs P. Sly 6-10-1 ......... M. Bastard
20 0B00F3 JULIA THYME D. Ringer 8-10-1 ......... S. McNeill
23 00P/F LITTLE HUCKLEBELLE J. Cosgrove 8-10-1 J. Suthern
26 0P-000 BOY'S HOUSE Earl Jones 5-10-1 ......... K. Doolan (4)
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Betting forecast: 11-4 Postdyne, 7-2 Kamir, 4 Nero Wolf, 7 Jondale, 10 Flying Mistress, 12 Paperacer.
TOP FORM TIPS: Postdyne 8, Jondale 7, Kamir 6.

**3 45—HOLSTEN PILS HANDICAP HURDLE: 2½m; £1,025 (18 runners).**

1 320011- GRAPHICS SOLAR (C/D) B. McMahon 7-12-4 .........
4 3-30133 ARAPAHO PRINCE (D) (BF) J. Edwards 6-10-11 ......... P. Barton
5 010004 MITTILINI (D) B. Preece 5-10-11 ......... P. Dever
7 031-0P0 SQUARE-RIGGED D. Henley 8-10-9 ......... W. Worthington (7)
8 B00FF0 LINO (D) P. Harris 7-10-8 ......... R. Strange
9 0-48303 ZMANDAR H. Wharton 6-10-7 ......... P. Tuck
10 000103 POLISH (C/D) J. Spearing 7-10-7 ......... A. Webb
11 00/040- DIVINE TRUTH P. Haynes 6-10-7 ......... R. Rowe
12 10014 STEEL VENTURE M. Ryan 6-10-6 J. McLaughlin
13 02010-P DOUBLE DISCOUNT H. Fleming 7-10-6 M. Pitman
14 0-22241 PAULATIM N. Henderson 5-10-6 ......... J. White
15 3-040P0 MODEL PUPIL (D) O. O'Neill 5-10-5 .........
16 00PF03 REGENCY TAN (BF) D. Morrill 5-10-5 .........
17 0/30000 THE OWLS M. Tompkins 6-10-3 ......... J. Barlow
18 3-00400 INCENSE P. Bevan 5-10-2 ......... J. Duggan
22 F20432 HIGH HEAVEN * A. Moore 7-10-1 R. Dunwoody
23 0-PF030 FINE TALE M. Connell 9-10-0 ......... E. Murphy (7)
26 D04300 FEELS RIGHT (D) D. Nicholson 5-10-0 P. Scudamore

Betting forecast: 9-2 Paulatim, 5 Arapaho Prince, 6 Model Pupil, 7 Steel Venture, 8 Mittilini, 10 Zmandar, 12 Polish.
TOP FORM TIPS: Paulatim 10, Polish 8, Arapaho Prince 7.

**4 15—FOSS WAY HUNTER CHASE: Amateur Riders; 3m 110yds; £1,301 (17 runners).**

2 31PU-0 HENNSHAW (C) R. Crawford 12-12-6 R. Crawford
7 0/44F1- LADY BUTTONS (C/D) Miss J. Sanderson 11-12-1 ......... N. Tutty (7)
12 - 1- COURT PAPERS Mrs P. Dickin 8-11-10 ......... Mrs K. Dickin (7)
13 003040/ DAVIDGALAXY AFFAIR Mrs G. Taylor 8-11-10 ......... A. Markley (7)
14 0FF/P-3 GOOD ACTION J. Smith 10-11-10 M. Walls (7)
16 2/002-P LONE SOLDIER * Mrs J. Docker 13-11-10 ......... J. Wrathall (7)
17 0P0PF0/ MARTINSTOWN D. Pitcher 13-11-10 D. Pitcher (7)
18 30-3000 MASTER WHAT F. Jackson 13-11-10 C. Shelley (7)
20 1F0B3-2 METELA Mrs S. Greathead 9-11-10 L. Lay (7)
24 021-230 PROMINENT ARTIST (C/D) O. Vaughan-Jones 10-11-10 ......... O. Vaughan-Jones (7)
26 21102P/ ROYAL DUST Mrs P. Tringer 11-11-10 S. Sherwood
27 12FP-32 SIOBHAN'S JOY * Mrs C. Janaway 10-11-10 ......... G. Mamdrell (7)
28 PUP20/U TABUTO T. Crew 9-11-10 ......... Miss J. Crew (7)
29 32/4U2 THE COPLOW Mrs M. Bagnion 12-11-10 ......... W. Wales (7)
31 P2/0P4- TREGOED A. L. Wallace 9-11-10 Miss L. Wallace (7)
32 FUFOP-P ALABAMA F. Jackson 7-11-5 ......... R. Morris (7)
33 4 SCARLET COON C. Pinney 9-11-5 Miss J. Grinyer (7)

Betting forecast: 6-4 Prominent Artist, 7-2 Siobhan's Joy, 6 Scarlet Coon, 8 The Coplow, 10 Royal Dust, 12 Lone Soldier.
TOP FORM TIPS: Prominent Artist 8, The Coplow 7, Siobhan's Joy 6.

**4 45—OSSINGTON HANDICAP CHASE: 3m 110yds; £1,471 (18 runners).**

4 200040 GREENWAYS A. Jarvis 10-11-7 ......... S. Smith Eccles
5 0420F0- BELOW THE SALT T. Forster 9-11-7 ......... H. Davies
6 127P042 LAWN MEET N. Henderson 10-11-7 ......... C. Mann
7 01031-0 EMMABEL J. Spearing 11-11-5 ......... P. Warner
8 0202PF MR SHOWBOOTS Mrs J. Barrow 11-11-3 Peter Hobbs
9 P0-20P0 VULPONT'S PIE Mrs H. Dobson 8-11-3 P. Nicholls
11 P4F0F0 KASHILL S. Mellor 7-10-13 E. Charles-Jones (4)
12 P00000 GOLDENGAN * R. Armytage 10-10-12 ......... Miss L. Armytage (7)
13 3314-3P BANKSIDE C. Wates 13-10-12 ......... A. Webber
15 010P0F BALLYGROOBY * (C/D) R. Perkins 8-10-11 ......... Bal Williams
16 1P-2234 CLONEEN KING (C/D) P. Ransom 10-10-11 P. Tuck
17 0PFPUP- FLASHY'S PAL R. Hickman 8-10-10 ......... J. Bryan
18 400P00 BAULKING BYWAY Miss R. Harper 10-10-10 ......... Miss R. Harper
20 2/1-400 ASHWANTER (C) D. Todd 8-10-7 ......... M. Bramall
22 122233 TAR KNIGHT (C/D) Rex Carter 8-10-5 P. Barton
24 UP-00PP MALICIOUS MEL * J. Leigh 9-10-2 ......... S. Johnson
27 PP-0FPP ROYAL CLASSIC * (C/D) D. Wintle 8-10-0 ......... A. Carroll

Betting forecast: 4 Lawn Meet, 9-2 Cloneen King, 5 Emmabel, 6 Below The Salt, 8 Tar Knight, 10 Bankside, 12 Greenways.
TOP FORM TIPS: Tar Knight 8, Lawn Meet 7, Emmabel 6.

Matthew Engel in Melbourne on the World Championship of Cricket final

# Sunny's fitting finale

CRICKET



*TRIUMPHANT TRIUMVIRATE . . . (from left) Skrikkanth, Gavaskar and Shastri*

INDIA won the World Championship of Cricket in Melbourne yesterday, crushing Pakistan by eight wickets and thus becoming world champions, remaining world champions, or proving nothing whatever, depending on your point of view, where you come from or who pays your salary.

There is no doubt that the Indians were worthy and conclusive winners, both of the final and of the entire competition, far more so than in the 1983 World Cup. They swept Pakistan aside just as they did in the preliminaries and as they did all their other opponents. Indeed, after the two compelling semi-finals this was a reversion to the tedium of the early games.

Pakistan lost the match in the first hour when their batsmen performed dismally against Kapil Dev and Chetan Sharma. Their tailenders ensured them the minor honour of being the only team India had failed to bowl out. But the Pakistanis only scored 176 for nine; Srikkanth and Shastri put on 103 themselves, and there was never a contest.

Ah, but afterwards the fun began: a closing ceremony of such unabashed commercialism that the Los Angeles Olympics, in comparison, might have given away its entire sponsorship rights to the Little Sisters of the Poor. The main business was Sunil Gavaskar's acceptance of the trophy and the £20,000 first prize. He described the result as "a wonderful present on my last day as captain of India," at once halting any speculation that his mind might have changed along with his team's performance.

Later, Gavaskar gave one of his wonderfully subtle press conferences, at which he said he accepted that West Indies were of course the world champions (pause) of triangular tournaments.

Today the Indians are expected to name an unchanged 14 for the next business, the quadrangular tournament in Sharjah next week involving Pakistan, Australia and an approximation of England. This time, though, Kapil should once again be captain. However, by the time India return to Australia for their Test series next winter, the job will probably have passed on to Shastri, who is now also challenging Kapil's status as an all-rounder.

Yesterday Shastri played the anchor innings, batting through for 63 not out. He lost the man of the match award to the livelier Srikkanth but was named as Champion of Champions, the understated Australian way of describing the man of the series award which, with equal understatement, is a £5,000 Audi.

Shastri, who was also man of the series for the recent one-dayers in India, may well be extra lucky because the Indians have still not entirely resolved their internal row about pooling prize money, and unlike former winners, such as Gower, Hadlee and Richards, may end up keeping the car or at least pocketing the proceeds, since no sane person would take a flash thing like that on to an Indian road.

It is also possible to reveal the winners of the Kit Kat strike rate competition (Lamb and Garner, for reasons I would explain if I understood them properly) though not as yet the Coca-Cola Classic Catch or the National Mutual World Superstar Team. If the Benson and Hedges Award for the best set of journalistic free plugs exists, even this paragraph would not stand a chance; the TV boys have been performing with consistent excellence.

Fortunately for Channel Nine and the organisers, the final was not as big a disaster as it might have been. A hot day was followed by a sultry, Calcutta-like evening and 35,296 people turned up, a record, as they kept on telling us, for a match in Australia not involving Australia. The TV audience was probably a record too, simply because the match was beamed live to India and technological changes have increased hugely the potential audience there within the past year.

You needed to be an Indian to get involved. The result was pretty clear after the early Pakistani batsmen capitulated: Mohsin and Rameez sent catches to square leg, Mudassar flashed at a near wide and Qasim Omar was yorked first ball. The Indians were without Binny, who had 'flu, but Chetan, his replacement, displayed an unexpected flair for defensive leg-stump bowling. Amarnath, and Siva again had successful spells and the Pakistanis were never able to break away.

The Indian reply was uneventful apart from a few glorious welts from Srikkanth and a moment for connoisseurs of sectarianism when Dalpat, the only Hindu in the Pakistan team, dropped Azharuddin, India's only Muslim.

Asked to explain India's success, the beaten captain Javed stressed the importance of bowlers too slow to be hit easily. He sounded jealous. Gavaskar, who admits he has changed his story every time he has been asked, said he thought it had been helpful to have a squad of 14 rather than 700 million, which has taken away some of the players' fears of failure. He also gave the selectors credit for including Siva and taking into account that he would be extra effective on a ground with boundaries as distant as Melbourne's.

With his ammunition firing, Gavaskar has looked a calm and astute captain. Apparently, the players have all been getting on together too, partly because in Australia it is so easy to get away from each other off the field. Yet it is hard for anyone who has watched them all winter to take them seriously as champions of anything—except that over the past three weeks they have been by far the best all-round team.

There is no reason why this event, for all its faults, should not have produced worthy world champions if everyone in it had taken the tournament seriously. England and Australia did not want to know.

The effect is that India cricket followers are going wild for the second time inside two years while England, their complete masters over five days, are forgotten. And the Indian players will take home about £5,000 each in prize money, provided they can wrench the car away from Shastri.

That is probably more than the Victorian Cricket Association will make. But the Western Australians, apparently believing the rhetoric rather than the reality, now want to organise something similar for 1988, to coincide with the nation's bicentenary and the America's Cup defence. I love this country dearly but, please, leave me out.

### FINAL SCOREBOARD

PAKISTAN

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| Mudassar Nazar c Viswanath b Kapil Dev | 14 |
| Mohsin Khan c Azharuddin b Kapil Dev | 5 |
| Rameez Raja c Srikkanth b Sharma | 4 |
| Qasim Omar b Kapil Dev | 0 |
| Javed Miandad st Viswanath b Siva | 48 |
| Imran Khan run out | 35 |
| Salim Malik c Sharma b Siva | 14 |
| Wasim Raja not out | 21 |
| Tahir Naqqash c Viswanath b Shastri | 10 |
| Azeem Hafeez not out | 7 |
| Azeem Hafeez not out | 7 |
| Extras (b 7, lb 8, w 1, nb 2) | 18 |
| Total (for 9; 50 overs) | 176 |

Fall of wickets: 17, 29, 29, 63, 101, 131, 131, 142, 145.

Bowling: Kapil Dev 9-1-23-3; Sharma 7-1-17-1; Madan Lal 6-1-15-0; Amarnath 9-0-27-0; Shastri 10-0-44-1; Sivaramakrishnan 9-0-35-3.

INDIA

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| R. J. Shastri not out | 63 |
| K. Srikkanth c Wasim Raja b Imran | 67 |
| M. Azharuddin b Naqqash | 25 |
| D. B. Vengsarkar not out | 18 |
| Extras (lb 2, w 2) | 4 |
| Total (for 2, 47.1 overs) | 177 |

Fall of wickets: 103, 142.

Did not bat: S. M. Gavaskar (capt), M. B. Amarnath, Kapil Dev, Madan Lal, C. Sharma, S. Viswanath, L. Sivaramakrishnan.

Bowling: Imran 10-3-28-1; Azeem 10-1-28-0; Naqqash 10-2-35-1; Wasim Raja 7.1-0-42-0; Mudassar 3-0-26-0; Saleem 2-0-15-0.

No balls and wides debited to bowlers. India won by 8 wickets.

BOXING

# One-sided win for McCrory

Milton McCrory comfortably outpointed fellow-American Pedro Vilella to retain his World Boxing Council welterweight title in Paris and set up the welcome prospect of a two-title fight with rival champion Don Curry.

McCrory went on to the offensive from the start, and Vilella spent much of the fight either pinned against the ropes or locked in clinches. McCrory said afterwards he planned to fight another American, Aaron Pryor, probably in May or June, and then take on Curry, the World Boxing Association champion, before moving up to the super-welterweight division.

Anders Eklund of Sweden is the new European heavyweight champion. He stopped defending champion Steffen Tangstad of Norway in the fourth round of their scheduled 12-round title bout in Copenhagen. Tangstad's five-month reign ended when he hit the canvas for the third time under an all-out bombardment from Eklund, the third Swede since Ingemar Johansson to become European champion.

Eklund said the turning point came in the last minute of the third round when he hurt Tangstad with a right and suddenly realised he could win.

Ian Ridley

# A thinking man's victory, by George

GOLF

IT HAS been a miserable winter for golfers, spent mostly gazing wistfully out of clubhouse windows on to snow-covered courses. So on a mild day it was a cheerful, goodly crowd that assembled, many wearing their Christmas gifts of diamonded sweaters and Greensneaker shoes for the first time, for the season's traditional pipe-opener, the Berkhamsted Trophy, on Saturday.

In this Walker Cup year — the Americans host the event at Pine Valley, New Jersey, in August — British amateurs are keen to impress. It says much for the state of the game here at the moment that no player with a handicap of more than one, and that under the new, more stringent handicapping system, could get into the Berkhamsted. The field was even increased from its usual 60 to 68.

It was a scratch player, Freddy George of Beaconsfield, who took the honours. The 19-year-old England youth international, a full-time amateur, became the youngest player to win the event — Sandy Lyle was a few days older — with a two-round total of 144, two over par, the same score that won Lyle the title in 1977.

One shot behind George were Hertfordshire's Andrew Clark and Simon Wood of Kent.

Berkhamsted, perched high in the Hertfordshire Chilterns, has no bunkers and is not long, but its claustrophobic, tree-lined fairways make it a course for "thinking" one's way round. On a day when scores were generally high — there were only three rounds under par and one previous winner, Peter Deeble, shot two 82s — George did just that. Five weeks of playing every day in Spain may have given him the edge over rusty rivals.

His 70 was the only sub-par morning round. In the afternoon he experienced a crisis when he overshot the green at the third, his 12th, found a pond and took six. He then bogeyed the next before two-putting from the edge of the green at the par-five seventh for a birdie. Boy George had become a man. Clark's chance slipped with three consecutive bogeys after the turn, while Wood missed a 15-foot putt for an eagle at the seventh and a seven-footer at the ninth, his last, to tie.

The 16-year-old Hertfordshire prodigy, Wayne Henry, the golf Foundation's player of the year, faded after an opening 72, poor putting undermining his excellent iron play.

David Lacey remembers Harry Catterick

# Everton's great team-builder

HARRY CATTERICK, who collapsed and died during Everton's FA Cup quarter-final against Ipswich on Saturday, was the most successful manager in Goodison Park's history. Under Catterick, Everton won the League championship in 1963 and 1970 and the FA Cup in 1966. They also reached the final in 1968.

Catterick, who was 65, came from the traditional school of football management. Although he had had playing experience, having signed for Everton as a 17-year-old in 1937 and played alongside Dixie Dean and Tommy Lawton, he was an assembler of teams rather than a manipulator of the moving parts. For Catterick wise use of the cheque book was the essence of good management rather than the coaching certificate.



After succeeding Johnny Carey as Everton manager in 1961, having himself taken Sheffield Wednesday to the Second Division championship, Catterick used his shrewdness in the transfer market to build a side that quickly restored to Goodison the aura of the pre-war days.

With Tommy Eggleston, his trainer at Wednesday, Catterick produced an Everton team that played delightful football and had traditional British muscle to back it up. Scott, Young, Temple, Vernon and Morrissey represented the best traditions of the School of Soccer Science. Kay, Labone, Gabriel and others were accomplished defenders.

The Everton team that won the League title in 1970, with Ball, Harvey and Kendall, now the manager, in midfield and Husband, Royle and Morrissey up front was the ultimate statement of Catterick's management and the production system he had established at Bellefield, Everton's training ground.

But in 1972 he suffered a heart attack after watching a League Cup semi-final and the following year relinquished control of the team.

ICE SKATING

Sandra Stevenson

# Britain in need of a rethink

THE BRITISH team left Tokyo for Heathrow yesterday disappointed, tired but not broken. They have conceded a battle and must now plan the strategy for a future attack. It is the first time Britons have failed to win a medal in the World Championships since 1972—which was also the last occasion the women's title was successfully defended.

On Saturday Susan Jackson of Nottingham dropped a place to 13th, while Katarina Witt of East Germany, prevented a clean sweep by the Soviets of all four titles by overhauling Kira Ivanova of the Soviet Union, and Tiffany Chin of the United States, to retain the women's singles title.

Witt repeated the Gershwin routine with which she won the Olympic gold, cleanly landing two triple toe loops and two triple salchows in a flawless demonstration of grace and complex athletic ability. She said the display was her best ever.

However, although the silver and bronze medal winners, Ivanova and Chin, declared their intention of competing until 1988, Witt said she would skate in next year's championships in Geneva, but not make her mind up about continuing after then until she saw how she did then. The last three-time winner of the title was Peggy Fleming who won 1966-68.

Jackson, the British champion, planned to start her routine with a triple toe loop to double toe loop combination as did the three medal winners. However, although she had executed this trick in the short programme with complete success she failed on Saturday.

A notable first-time competitor was the British-trained American, Debi Thomas, who made a spectacular start with a double axel to triple toe loop combination but was unable to maintain this level and made several errors to remain fifth.

Jackson will have only one week off before resuming training, in order to pass some tests. The Ice dance champions, Nicky Slater and Karen Barber, will take off longer. Unlike last year they have not been invited on the Tour of Champions which will tour Japan, China, South Korea and Hong Kong.

HAT-TRICKS FOR RUSH AND WHITESIDE AS LIVERPOOL AND MANCHESTER UNITED LEAD THE CHARGE INTO THE FA CUP'S LAST FOUR

David Lacey — Barnsley 0, Liverpool 4

# Rush treble breaks hearts of Oakwell

THE FA CUP continues to head for one of its more momentous finals and a few of those streaming away from Oakwell yesterday would have been prepared to argue with people who have predicted that this is going to be Liverpool's year.

After containing Barnsley's busy, if ingenious Second Division team for nearly an hour, Liverpool dismissed them from the quarter-finals with 35 minutes of fluent, attacking football which in the end proved as ruthless an exercise as that which had seen York City routed 7-0 at Anfield in a fifth round replay.

Ian Rush scored his second hat-trick of the season with massive help from Dalglish to bring his goals total to 18, seven of which have come in the FA Cup alone. This remarkable striker has now scored 14 times for Liverpool in 13 Cup appearances and, of course, they still have not lost a match in which he has found the net.

Thus this season's FA Cup remains a fair reflection of three-quarters of the struggle at the top of the First Division, Rush and Liverpool having accounted for Tottenham in the fourth round. Everton are still there, just, to preserve the possibility of three of the League's four leading clubs appearing in the semi-finals for the first time since 1967.

Given the quality of Saturday's match at Old Trafford there will be many football followers hoping that Manchester United and Liverpool are kept apart in today's draw. When the clubs met in the 1977 final the game was largely an anti-climax, and Liverpool always had the better of their Milk Cup confrontation against United at Wembley in 1983. Nevertheless, one suspects that this would still be the meeting most eagerly anticipated.

An alternative is the possibility of another Merseyside confrontation although the chance of this happening has receded slightly with Everton's struggle at Goodison on Saturday.

At all events Liverpool are making out a formidable case for what would be only their third FA Cup triumph. Their last success in the competition marked the retirement of Bill Shankly in 1974, and even now it is astonishing to remember that they were not able to win the trophy under the management of Bob Paisley. In fact they are making their first semi-final appearance in five years.

Yesterday Liverpool looked a team unlikely to be diverted from the course they had set themselves, certainly not by Barnsley. The Second Division side played with a lot of enthusiasm and aggression but lacked the quality needed to penetrate the middle of the Liverpool defence.

Admittedly Lawrensen suffered some bad moments in the first half which were largely of his own making. His attempt at a blond hair rinse has left him bearing a passing resemblance to the actor Frank Finlay in Bouquet of Barbed Wire — all grey and worried. He committed an unusual number of fouls, usually on Ron Futcher, and was fortunate not to be cautioned.

However, the fiercest moment of Barnsley aggression came before the match when somebody tried to display a banner to the television cameras which read "Owen strikes quicker than the NUM." The words were quickly torn down and tossed away. Barnsley is not ready yet for jokes of this kind.

In any case the message had little meaning. The only danger presented by Owen came from the odd free-kick that skimmed the Liverpool bar. Both he and Campbell did enjoy the occasional run on the wings, but Barnsley started to bring Grobbelaar into really urgent action only after Liverpool had scored.

Their first two goals owed something to defensive errors. Ten minutes after half-time Dalglish collected a throw-in from Nicol on the right and while Baker dropped on his centre, the goalkeeper allowed the ball to squirm loose. Rush pounced to score from barely two yards.

That was that so far as Barnsley were concerned. A marvellous turn on the byline by Dalglish ended with Rush glancing a diving header past the far post and the three goals in 13 minutes put an end to the contest.

In the 72nd minute Rush seized on a blind back pass from Ronson, pushed the ball past the keeper and chased it to the byline before switching it back into the goalmouth for Whelan to score with two defenders in a tangle. A marvellous piece of first-time passing ended with Rush running on to a return ball from Dalglish for the third goal, and the Welshman completed his hat-trick six minutes from the end after Dalglish, having been brought down by Goodison on the right, got up and was waved on by the referee before producing another excellent final ball.

SCORERS,—Liverpool: Rush (55, 80, 84 min), Whelan (72).

Barnsley: Baker; Joyce, Goodison, Ronson, May, P. Futcher, Owen Thomas, R. Futcher, Agnew, (Gray, 75 min), Campbell.

Liverpool: Grobbelaar; Neal, Kennedy, Lawrenson, Nicol, Hansen, Dalglish, Whelan, Rush, MacDonald, Wark.

Referee: C. Downey (Harlow).

● Barnsley manager Bobby Collins said afterwards that he could see no way of stopping Rush. "After all you can't take a gun out there on to the field, can you?" Joe Fagan singled out Dalglish. "He is something out of the ordinary. In the second half he was out of this world."

● William Hill's FA Cup odds are: 13-8 Liverpool, 15-8 Manchester United, 100-30 Everton, 12-1 Luton, 14-1 Ipswich, 40-1 Millwall.



*RUSH: Only a gun could have stopped him, said Barnsley manager Bobby Collins*

Patrick Barclay — Manchester U 4, West Ham 2

# Whiteside the joy bringer

AMID the end-to-end endeavour of a stirring cup tie, Gordon Strachan set out on a run. Moving into the area, he beat one man, turned back, side-stepped a second tackle, inviting a third. "Gordon, for God sake," muttered the Manchester United fan in front of me. "Don't win a penalty."

He needn't have worried, because with three minutes to go and the home side's lead lately trimmed to a single goal, Norman Whiteside stepped up to the spot. It was the first time he had taken a penalty in senior football.

He volunteered after Strachan had missed three in succession and got his chance when the little Scot, giving yet another virtuoso performance, had his heels clipped. "Well," said Whiteside, taking the ball, "You can only miss 'em."

It was fun to be at Old Trafford on Saturday, not least to share the joy over Whiteside's first hat-trick. When he came into the game three years ago, the young Irishman looked like a playground bully, right for sorting out. But nothing seems to daunt him.

The emergence of the more gifted Hughes cost him his place as a striker and he is currently filling in for Robson in midfield. But no one could have performed such a convincing impersonation of the England captain as Whiteside. He will be awfully difficult to drop now.

Though Whiteside stood out, few players diminished their stock. West Ham have sometimes been disappointing visitors to Old Trafford, defending stodgedly for a goalless draw in the League last season, then catching a thrashing in October. This time, suffering the after-effects of a bug and with an injury list almost as long as Manchester United's, they simply went out and played.

The Londoners might even have won had they scored in the early stages, when Dickens shot wide and Bailey made an outstanding save from Cottee, but although Hogg's own goal cancelled out a deliciously presented starter by Hughes, Whiteside denied West Ham a chance to consolidate by flicking a header home amid confusion caused by Stewart's failure to clear a corner.

With both sides defying an unpredicable post-winter pitch to produce moments of high quality, Olsen and the splendid Hughes missed chances before Whiteside battered home his second. Still West Ham refused to submit. Allen, whose pace was too much for Albiston, chipped home Goddard's precise pass with six minutes left — plenty of time for Manchester United's middle-aged teenager to show who remained in charge.

SCORERS.—Manchester United: Hughes (21min), Whiteside (39, 74 and 87 pen). West Ham: Hoon (og, 35). Allen (84). Manchester United: Bailey; Gidman, Albiston, Duxbury, McGrath, Hogg, Strachan, Whiteside, Hughes, Stapleton, Olsen. West Ham: McAllister; Stewart, Martin, Walford, Martin, Dickens, Allen, Orr, Cottee, Goddard. Cottee, Pike (Hilton, 26min). Referee: T. Mills (Barnsley).



*CARRY ON . . . Stapleton acclaims Hughes's goal*

## Summer move for Lyall?

JOHN LYALL is almost certain to end his 28-year association with West Ham and take over as manager of Queen's Park Rangers when his contract runs out this summer. The Hammers' FA Cup defeat by Manchester United this weekend virtually rules out the prospect of a place in Europe next season and leaves Lyall without a fresh career challenge after 11 years.

Rangers, who offered the 45-year-old Lyall a lucrative contract last summer, would be happy to appoint him manager now having slipped towards the relegation zone with one win in their last 10 games.

Robert Armstrong — Everton 2, Ipswich Town 2

# Poetry, passion and pain to a bitter end

AN EPIC Cup-tie, full of nervous twists and stomach-churning tension, was overshadowed in the most brutal manner by the death of Harry Catterick at Goodison Park on Saturday. Within minutes of the final whistle the man who was Mr Everton for more than a decade collapsed and died from a heart attack in full view of the main stand. It was a grim reminder that football, after all, is merely a passing entertainment.

There was bitter irony in the fact that the 65-year-old Catterick, who brought two League titles and an FA Cup to Goodison between 1963 and 1970, should pass away just as his beloved Everton are on the verge of recapturing some of the glory of that era. In the succinct words of Howard Kendall: "Harry was a tremendous manager and a great judge of a player. This news has clouded everything."

In the circumstances it seemed a little eerie to be quizzing Bobby Ferguson and assorted players about the controversial incidents that marked this contest. But life rolled on in its self-regarding manner and so will Wednesday's replay at Portman Road which would have been unnecessary but for a bold equaliser by the Everton centre-back Mountfield six minutes from the end.

Whether that goal would ever have materialised without the surprise dismissal of the Ipswich defender Steve McCall 13 minutes from time was the subject of fierce discussion afterwards.

Certainly there was a ragged air of desperation about Everton until McCall committed his only serious foul of the game, upending Steven, and was promptly sent off by Mr Robinson.

"It was his first bad tackle, then off," said Ferguson. "We virtually lost the game because of the referee's decision. I think we would have won with 11 men because we were always seeking another goal on the break." However, the Ipswich manager pointed out that he was "happy overall with the referee as it is not easy to resist all that pressure from thousands of fans."

In any case the BBC's action-replay cameras later showed that Everton were denied their legitimate claim for a penalty when Putney tripped Steven within a few yards of the near post. The combative Gray also appeared to head a valid goal in the opening minutes but that effort was ruled out because of alleged hand-ball by Bracewell on the goalline.

Even so, the fragmented pattern and fractious infighting could never quite smother the energy and passion of a tie Everton were clearly expected to win. Sharing a taxi to the ground with a couple of their fans, discussion centered on whether the semi-final would be at Old Trafford Villa Park. Ipswich, not without reason, were regarded as cannon fodder in their fourth competitive fixture in eight days.

Everton, moving like thoroughbreds in the spring sunshine, threatened to demolish Ipswich in the opening half-hour, despite being rocked back on their heels by a tame equaliser from Wilson after Sheedy had scored direct from a 20-yard free-kick.

Reid, the playmaker, may only have been 80 per cent fit but his cutting edge and sense of angle were usually too much for the harassed Ipswich midfield.

A brilliantly conceived goal transformed the tie in favour of Ipswich after half an hour. A long diagonal throw-in by Cranson to the edge of the penalty box found Butcher who deftly nodded the ball through to the unmarked Zondervan. The Dutchman shot his side into the lead with a stunning volley from 15 yards, thus setting the scene for a protracted bout of cat-and-mouse lasting nearly an hour.

As the referee issued cautions like confetti to Sheedy, Butcher, Gates and Cooper, the shadows lengthened and Everton's hold on the Cup looked tenuous. Even after McCall departed, Ipswich took survival measures by bringing on a centre-back, Osman, in favour of Brennan. In the end, though, Mountfield's lunging toe-poke from six yards ensured justice.

SCORERS.—Everton: Sheedy (5 min), Mountfield, (84). Ipswich: Wilson (141), Zondervan (31).

Everton: Southall; Stevens, Mountfield, Ratcliffe, Van den Hauwe, Steven, Reid, Bracewell, Sheedy, Gray, Curran.

Ipswich Town: Cooper; Cooper, Burley, Cranson, Butcher, McCall, Zondervan, Brennan (Osman, 79min), Gates, Putney, Sunderland, Wilson.

Referee: A. Robinson (Walterlooville).

*David Lacey remembers Harry Catterick, page 23*

David Lacey — Luton Town 1, Watford 0

# Luton looking to headband of hope

AFTER WATCHING Millwall and Luton win their respective fifth-round ties there is more than one reason for supposing that the Third Division is about to send its seventh representative to the FA Cup semi-finals. Certainly Millwall's disposal of Leicester City was achieved with more dash and precision than Luton's narrow defeat of Watford in a lowbrow second replay at Kenilworth Road on Saturday.

Millwall will visit Luton in Wednesday's quarter-final brimming with confidence after a succession of victories which have not only taken them to the last eight of the Cup but have brought them to the threshold of the Second Division.

Against that, David Pleat's Luton team are not quite the soft touches that they were and can point to Brighton's success in reaching Wembley two years ago while conducting what turned out to be a vain struggle against relegation. Luton, moreover, possess a player who could become a common factor to remarkably similar campaigns, Steve Foster, he of the headband and Statue-of-Liberty stance.

After leading Brighton to the 1983 final against Manchester United, Foster, it will be remembered, was suspended and went to the High Court in an attempt to get the ban lifted. He lost that action but was able to take part in the replay when it appeared that the judge was, well, not a bad judge.

Nevertheless, for all his lack of mobility and the ease with which he can be lured out of position, Foster is a totem figure around which struggling teams like Brighton and Luton can rally. "I think he had been misunderstood by many people in the game," said Pleat.

"There was the court hearing, there's the headband, there's the hair, there's his shape. . . . A lot of people look at him and can't see him as a player. But he's a hell of a standing jumper, he's a good organiser, a very solid tackler and a tremendous long ball player. And when he comes up into the opposing box he's very hard to handle. I'm delighted things didn't work out for him at Aston Villa."

Be that as it may, there were moments in the first half when Barnes, suddenly re-emerging in the Watford team after being regarded as a non-starter, seemed likely to win the match through the ease with which he sidestepped Foster's clumsy lunging tackles. But he could not beat Sealey and when that threat faded Watford had little else to offer.

To their credit Luton never gave up trying and just before the hour Turner, their most persevering player, ran through a large gap in the middle of the Watford defence to score with a firm, low shot.

Fatigue may now be Luton's biggest enemy; Saturday's match was their fourth in eight days. "It ill-becomes professional footballers to start talking about being tired just from playing," said Graham Taylor, the Watford manager, sternly. Pleat was more sympathetic: "It's a big slog and there were players out there who were feeling the effects of the previous games." After a quarter-of-an-hour chasing Millwall, Luton's legs may start to protest again.

Luton Town.—Sealey; Breacker, Thomas, Turner, Foster, Donaghy, Hill, Stein, Harford, Nwajobi, Parker.

Watford.—Coton; Sinnott, Rostron, Taylor, Terry, McClelland, Callaghan, Bissett, Barnes, Lohman, Jackett. Richens.—J. Bray (Hinckley).

● John Barnes, the 21-year-old Watford and England striker, is Robinson Barley Water young player of the month for February.



*FOSTER: totem figure*

Jeremy Alexander — Chelsea 0, Southampton 2

# Shallow waters at the Bridge of sighs

IT WAS all quiet at the Bridge on Saturday and there was crowd trouble again — Chelsea's lowest League attendance of the season. After Monday's mayhem only 15,202 turned up, a drop of more than 23,000. The absent were perhaps ashamed, perhaps frightened, understandably both.

On the doubtful assumption that, while they may be deaf, Chelsea supporters can at least read, the scoreboard flashed a half-time message from the chairman: "Ken Bates would like to thank all our loyal supporters for their presence here today." In fact those present looked more sheepish than loyal. There was an air of penance.

Bates also wrote in the programme, spotting beams in the eyes of the "authorities", the press, Scotland Yard and Mrs Thatcher. In the introductory column, which Mrs Malaprop omitted to sign, the warning was sounded that Stamford Bridge might eventually become a temporary sanction for savages. Loyal supporters looked in vain for apology.

The game was conducted in near silence — good practice for playing behind closed doors — on a pitch of murky brown, as if the scum had settled. There was not a copper on it, though, and not much football either. For the most part one could have heard a mote fall from the eye of the chairman.

Southampton had their own grief to nurse from Monday, knowing that they, not Barnsley, should have been playing to the nation at home to Liverpool yesterday afternoon. But they knuckled down and moved up to fourth place in the League. With Whitlock brought in for Moran, they played three central defenders and grabbed two breakaway goals.

Not until after half time did they dare to score. Wallace, well matched by a newcomer, Dublin, in the first half, swapped wings, beat Wood for speed and was tripped, giving Armstrong the penalty. Later Jordan, sent clear, stopped as if arrested by the ghost of Monday's policeman, squared the ball instead and saw Baker's miscue give Wallace an easy second. Not a scum was heard, not a funeral note. It was all quiet at the Bridge on Saturday.

SCORERS.—Southampton: Armstrong (pen, 52), Wallace (87).

Chelsea: Niedzwiecki, Wood, Dublin, Pates, Rougvie, Canoville (Bumstead, 84 min), Nevin, Spackman, Dixon, Speedie, Thomas.

Southampton: Shilton, Mills, Dennis, Curtis, (Puckett, 84 min), Wright, Bond, Baker, Whitlock, Jordan, Armstrong, Wallace.

Referee: D. A. Hedges (Oxfordshire).

## RESULTS

FA CUP. — Quarter-finals: Everton 2, Ipswich 2 (Replay Wed 7.30); Man Utd 4, West Ham 2. Fifth Round, Second Replay: Luton 1, Watford 0 (Luton play Millwall in q-f, Wed 7.45).

YESTERDAY

Barnsley (0) 0 — Liverpool (0) 4
(19,858) — Rush (3), Whelan

CANON LEAGUE FIRST DIVISION. — Chelsea 0, Southampton 2; Coventry 3, QPR 0; Leicester 3, Sheff Wed 1; Norwich 2, A Villa 2; Notts Forest 0, Newcastle 0; Sunderland 0, Arsenal 0.

SECOND DIVISION. — Birmingham 2, Notts Co 1; Cardiff 0, Fulham 2; Carlisle 1, Grimsby 1; C Palace 0, Wolves 0; Leeds 0, Huddersfield 0; Man City 1, Middlesbrough 0; Oldham 2, Blackburn 0; Portsmouth 1, Wimbledon 0; Sheff Utd 1, Oxford 1; Shrewsbury 1, Charlton 1.

THIRD DIVISION. — Bournemouth 3, Lincoln 1; Bristol C 2, Bradford 0; Burnley 0 Reading 2; Gillingham 2, Brentford 0; Hull C 3, Derby Co 2; Orient 1, Newport 1; Preston NE 1, Bolton 0; Rotherham 0, Plymouth 2; Walsall 3, Swansea 0; Wigan 3, Cambridge Utd 3; Millwall 1, York 0.

FOURTH DIVISION. — Aldershot 0, Northampton 0; Bury 1, Blackpool 0; Crewe 2, Stockport 1; Darlington 2, Halifax 0; Exeter 0 Chesterfield 1; Hartlepool 3, Torquay 1; Peterborough 1, Rochdale 1; Port Vale 2, Swindon 0; Wrexham 2, Mansfield 2.

SCOTTISH FA CUP. — Quarter-finals: Dundee 1, Celtic 1; Hearts 1, Aberdeen 1; Motherwell 4, Forfar 1; St Mirren 1, Dundee Utd 4.

SCOTTISH FIRST DIVISION. — Clyde 1, Ayr 0; Falkirk 0, Clydebank 0; Kilmarnock 3, Hamilton 1; Meadowbank 0, Partick Th 2; St Johnstone 3, E Fife 1. Leading positions: 1, Clydebank (P 30, Pts 39); 2, Motherwell (29-36); 3, Airdrie (27-35).

SCOTTISH SECOND DIVISION. — Albion Rvrs 1, Stranraer 2; Alloa 2, Queen's Pk 1; Arbroath 1, Dunfermline 3; Berwick 0, E Stirling 0; Cowdenbeath 0, Stenhousemuir 1; Dmbrn of South 1, Montrose 1; Raith Rvrs 2, Stirling Alb 4. Leading positions: 1, Alloa (P 30, Pts 43); 2, Montrose (29-41); 3, Dunfermline (28-35).

GOLA LEAGUE. — Barrow 0, Bath 1; Boston Utd 4, Dagenham 1; Enfield 2, Weymouth 1; Gateshead 0, Dartford 0; Kidderminster 2, Frickley 4; Maidstone 0 Woolverstone 1; Telford 1, Scarborough 2; Worcester 1, Kettering 2; Yeovil 2, Barnet 1.

SERVOWARM ISTHMIAN LEAGUE. — Billericay 3, Croydon 0; Bishops Stortford 1, Hayes 0; Enfield 1, Wycombe 2; Harlow 0, Leytonstone and Ilford 2; Hitchin 1, Carshalton 2; Slough 3, Staines Utd 0; Tooting 1, Dulwich H 1; Walthamstow Ave 0, Barking 1; Windsor 1, Sosnor Regis 0; Wokingham 3, Harrow 1; Worthing 4, Meadon 2.

NORTHERN PREMIER LEAGUE. — Bangor 1, Southport 2; Barton Alb 1, Chorley 1; Barton 2, Gainsborough 2; Horwich 2, Blaring 0; Mossley 1, Macclesfield 0; Ossestry 2, Workington 1; Rhyl 2, Stafford R 3; Witton Alb 1, Goole 0; Worksop 2, Morecambe 2.

FIRST DIVISION

| | P | W | D | L | F | A | Pts |
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| Everton | 27 | 17 | 6 | 5 | 59 | 31 | 56 |
| Tottenham | 27 | 16 | 6 | 5 | 52 | 27 | 54 |
| Manchester Utd | 28 | 14 | 7 | 7 | 51 | 32 | 49 |
| Southampton | 29 | 14 | 7 | 8 | 40 | 33 | 49 |
| Liverpool | 28 | 13 | 8 | 6 | 40 | 23 | 48 |
| Arsenal | 28 | 13 | 7 | 8 | 40 | 27 | 46 |
| Sheffield Wed | 28 | 12 | 10 | 6 | 43 | 29 | 46 |
| Notts Forest | 28 | 14 | 4 | 10 | 41 | 35 | 46 |
| Chelsea | 29 | 10 | 10 | 9 | 42 | 35 | 40 |
| Aston Villa | 28 | 10 | 8 | 10 | 40 | 43 | 38 |
| Norwich | 28 | 10 | 8 | 10 | 35 | 39 | 38 |
| Newcastle | 30 | 9 | 10 | 11 | 46 | 53 | 37 |
| Leicester | 28 | 10 | 6 | 12 | 48 | 49 | 36 |
| WBA | 28 | 10 | 5 | 13 | 40 | 43 | 35 |
| QPR | 30 | 8 | 11 | 11 | 35 | 50 | 35 |
| West Ham | 28 | 8 | 8 | 12 | 38 | 39 | 32 |
| Coventry | 29 | 9 | 4 | 16 | 31 | 48 | 31 |
| Watford | 26 | 7 | 9 | 10 | 47 | 50 | 30 |
| Sunderland | 28 | 8 | 6 | 14 | 31 | 38 | 30 |
| Ipswich | 25 | 6 | 7 | 12 | 34 | 47 | 25 |
| Luton T | 25 | 6 | 7 | 13 | 31 | 47 | 25 |
| Stoke C | 27 | 2 | 9 | 16 | 17 | 58 | 12 |

THIRD DIVISION

| | P | W | D | L | F | A | Pts |
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| Bradford C | 32 | 20 | 6 | 6 | 52 | 28 | 66 |
| Millwall | 32 | 17 | 7 | 8 | 48 | 28 | 58 |
| Hull City | 32 | 16 | 10 | 6 | 51 | 33 | 58 |
| Gillingham | 32 | 17 | 5 | 7 | 51 | 40 | 56 |
| Bristol City | 32 | 16 | 6 | 10 | 52 | 37 | 54 |
| Rotherham | 31 | 15 | 7 | 9 | 43 | 29 | 52 |
| York City | 32 | 15 | 5 | 12 | 54 | 49 | 50 |
| Bristol R | 31 | 14 | 7 | 10 | 48 | 38 | 49 |
| Bournemouth | 34 | 14 | 7 | 13 | 36 | 35 | 49 |
| Walsall | 32 | 13 | 8 | 7 | 42 | 32 | 48 |
| Reading | 29 | 14 | 6 | 9 | 48 | 41 | 48 |
| Doncaster | 31 | 12 | 7 | 12 | 52 | 48 | 43 |
| Derby | 31 | 12 | 7 | 12 | 46 | 43 | 43 |
| Plymouth | 31 | 10 | 9 | 12 | 45 | 49 | 39 |
| Wigan Ath | 31 | 9 | 11 | 11 | 34 | 41 | 38 |
| Brentford | 32 | 10 | 8 | 14 | 39 | 48 | 38 |
| Bolton W | 33 | 11 | 4 | 18 | 47 | 49 | 37 |
| Newport | 29 | 9 | 9 | 11 | 36 | 39 | 36 |
| Lincoln | 29 | 8 | 10 | 11 | 33 | 37 | 34 |
| Burnley | 30 | 8 | 8 | 14 | 44 | 48 | 32 |
| Preston NE | 31 | 9 | 4 | 18 | 37 | 63 | 31 |
| Orient | 32 | 7 | 7 | 18 | 34 | 57 | 28 |
| Swansea | 32 | 6 | 8 | 18 | 33 | 60 | 26 |
| Cambridge Utd | 31 | 3 | 7 | 21 | 28 | 63 | 16 |

CENTRAL LEAGUE.—A Villa 0, Man Utd 1.

SOUTHERN LEAGUE.—Premier Division: AP Leamington 0, Corby 1; Bedworth 3, Alrechurch 2; Chelmsford 1, Gloucester 0; Folkestone 0, Cheltenham 3; Gravesend 0, Frankton 2; Kings Lynn 2, Fisher 1; Southampton 1, Crawley 1; Trowbridge 1, Shepherd 2; Witney 1, Welling 1. Yesterday: Welling 0, Cheltenham 1.

Midland Division: Banbury 4, Stourbridge 1; Bridgnorth 2, Aylesbury 5; Bromsgrove 1, Coventry Sporting 1; Dudley 0, VS Rugby 0; Forest Gn 2, Oldbury 1; Hednesford 1, Moor Gn 0; Merthyr 0, Redditch 1; Wellingboro 3, Redditch 1.

Southern Division: Ashford 0, Addlestone 1; Basingstoke 1, Dorchester 0; Canvey City 2, Dover 1; Canterbury 3, Tonbridge 1; Dunstable 1, Thamel 1; Erith 1, Andover 2; Gosport Boro 4, Waterlooville 1; Hillingdon 5, Woodford 1; Salisbury 0, Poole 0; Sheppey 0, Chatham 1.

SECOND DIVISION

| | P | W | D | L | F | A | Pts |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| Manchester City | 30 | 17 | 7 | 6 | 47 | 24 | 58 |
| Birmingham | 28 | 17 | 7 | 4 | 57 | 24 | 58 |
| Blackburn | 30 | 15 | 8 | 7 | 52 | 32 | 53 |
| Oxford Utd | 27 | 15 | 6 | 6 | 54 | 25 | 51 |
| Portsmouth | 28 | 13 | 11 | 4 | 47 | 28 | 50 |
| Fulham | 30 | 13 | 8 | 9 | 47 | 37 | 47 |
| Leeds Utd | 30 | 13 | 9 | 8 | 48 | 32 | 48 |
| Grimsby | 30 | 14 | 6 | 10 | 37 | 32 | 48 |
| Brighton | 28 | 14 | 6 | 8 | 33 | 33 | 48 |
| Huddersfield | 29 | 13 | 9 | 7 | 39 | 28 | 48 |
| Barnsley | 27 | 11 | 10 | 6 | 38 | 29 | 43 |
| Shrewsbury | 25 | 11 | 9 | 5 | 33 | 23 | 42 |
| Wimbledon | 28 | 11 | 5 | 12 | 33 | 33 | 38 |
| Oldham | 31 | 10 | 6 | 15 | 42 | 53 | 36 |
| Sheffield Utd | 30 | 9 | 11 | 10 | 33 | 33 | 38 |
| Carlisle | 30 | 9 | 6 | 15 | 28 | 48 | 33 |
| Charlton | 29 | 8 | 7 | 14 | 29 | 46 | 31 |
| Crystal Palace | 28 | 6 | 10 | 12 | 33 | 45 | 28 |
| Middlesbrough | 31 | 6 | 8 | 17 | 32 | 57 | 26 |
| Wolves | 30 | 6 | 8 | 16 | 30 | 52 | 26 |
| Cardiff | 30 | 6 | 6 | 18 | 25 | 52 | 24 |
| Notts County | 30 | 5 | 6 | 19 | 24 | 56 | 21 |

FOURTH DIVISION

| | P | W | D | L | F | A | Pts |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| Bury | 31 | 18 | 9 | 4 | 54 | 33 | 63 |
| Darlington | 29 | 17 | 9 | 3 | 43 | 24 | 60 |
| Newtons | 29 | 17 | 7 | 5 | 48 | 24 | 58 |
| Chesterfield | 31 | 17 | 7 | 7 | 54 | 33 | 58 |
| Colchester | 31 | 15 | 9 | 7 | 61 | 45 | 54 |
| Peterborough | 33 | 15 | 8 | 10 | 44 | 38 | 53 |
| Crewe Alex. | 32 | 15 | 8 | 11 | 47 | 44 | 51 |
| Tranmere | 32 | 13 | 9 | 10 | 54 | 47 | 48 |
| Scunthorpe | 31 | 12 | 10 | 9 | 48 | 40 | 46 |
| Swindon | 32 | 13 | 6 | 13 | 48 | 42 | 45 |
| Port Vale | 30 | 11 | 10 | 9 | 42 | 37 | 43 |
| Hartlepool | 32 | 11 | 10 | 11 | 37 | 41 | 43 |
| Southend Utd | 33 | 10 | 8 | 15 | 48 | 52 | 38 |
| Mansfield | 29 | 9 | 10 | 10 | 35 | 32 | 37 |
| Stockport Co. | 28 | 10 | 6 | 13 | 44 | 47 | 36 |
| Exeter C | 31 | 8 | 9 | 14 | 38 | 51 | 33 |
| Aldershot | 30 | 8 | 7 | 15 | 28 | 49 | 31 |
| Halifax | 31 | 9 | 4 | 18 | 35 | 55 | 31 |
| Chester | 28 | 7 | 6 | 14 | 35 | 45 | 29 |
| Rochdale | 30 | 7 | 6 | 15 | 32 | 45 | 29 |
| Wrexham | 30 | 7 | 6 | 17 | 47 | 53 | 27 |
| Torquay | 32 | 5 | 11 | 16 | 27 | 47 | 26 |
| Northampton | 32 | 7 | 3 | 22 | 35 | 61 | 24 |

FOOTBALL COMBINATION.—Arsenal 5, Brighton 0; Southampton 1, Ipswich 0; Swansea 0, Watford 0; Swindon 2, Fulham 2.

GREAT MILLS WESTERN LEAGUE.—Bideford 6, Bristol C 0; Bristol Manor Farm 1, Liskeard 0; Chippenham 0 Clevedon 0; Devizes 1, Chard 5; Exmouth 1, Paulton 2; Mangotsfield 3, Minehead 1; Plymouth 0, Melksham 3; Shepton Mallet 0, Barnstaple 2; Weston S. Mare 0 Taunton 2.

DRYBROUGHS NORTHERN LEAGUE.—Chester le Street 0, Blyth Spartans 1; Crook 0, Ryhope 1; Gretna 6, Consett 2; Horden Billingham 0; Penrith 5, North Shields 1; South Bank 2, Ferryhill 1; Tow Law 1, Shildon 0; Whitby 2, Whitley Bay 1.

NW COUNTIES LEAGUE.—Accrington Stanley 3, Penrith 0; Bootle 1, Radcliffe Boro 0; Congleton 3, Lancaster 1; Fleetwood 3, Eastwood Hanley 0; Glossop 0, Curzon Ash 1; Leek 0 Curzon Ashton 1; Netherfield 2, Burscough 3; St Helens 1, Prescot Cables 1; Stalybridge Celtic 4, Formby 0. Yesterday: Formby 0, Winsford 0; Netherfield 1, St Helen's 3.

BASS IRISH CUP.—Third Round: Ards 0, Ballymena 1; Distillery 0, Glentoran 3; Glenavon 0, Coleraine 4; Portadown 1, Linfield 2.

GINGERBOY IRISH LEAGUE.—Larne 1, Cliftonville 4.

FA YOUTH CUP.—Fifth Round: Spurs 1, Birmingham 3.

CHARITY MATCHES.—Italian League XI 2, Foreign Select XI 2 (in Bergamo); Verona 7, Hamelbach (Deu) 0.

WOMEN'S FA CUP.—Semi-finals: Norwich 0, Doncaster Belles 5; Northampton T & C 0, Fulham 5. (Final at Craven Cottage, May 12).

INTERNATIONAL MATCH (Lima).—Peru 1, Chile 1.

WORLD CUP.—Asian qualifying group three: Malaysia 1, South Korea 0 (in Kuala Lumpur).

WEST GERMAN BUNDESLIGA.—Waldhof Mannheim 1, Werder Bremen 1; Fortuna Duesseldorf 1, Armlata Bielefeld 1; Eintracht Frankfurt 1, Eintracht Brunswick 1; Hamburg 0; Karlsruhe 0; Borussia Moenchengladbach 1, Bayer Leverkusen 1; Cologne 0 Bayern Stuttgart 5, Bayer Verdingen 2; Schalke 1, Kaiserslautern 1. Leading positions: 1, BA. Munich (P22, Pts 31); 2, Bremen (21-38); 3, Verdingen (21-35).

DUTCH LEAGUE.—Roda Kerkrade 1, Volendam 0; Feyenoord 2, PSV Eindhoven 2; Utrecht 0, Haarlem 2; Groningen 1, Pec Zwolle 0; GA Eagles Deventer 1, Twente Enschede 1; Den Bosch 0, MVV Maastricht 2; Fortuna Sittard 3, Sparta Rotterdam 0; AZ'67 Alkmaar 1, Excelsior 1; Ajax 6, NAC Breda 1. Leading positions: 1, Ajax (P20 Pts 35); 2, PSV (20-32); 3, Feyenoord (19-27).

SPANISH LEAGUE.—Barcelona 1, Malaga 0; Gijon 4, Hercules 0; Sevilla 2, Atletico Madrid 4; Valladolid 1, Valencia 0; Bilbao 1, Murcia 0; Santander 1, Real Sociedad 0; Real Madrid 3, Real Betis 2; Zaragoza 1, Osasuna 2; Elche 0, Espanol 3. Leading positions: 1, Barcelona (P28, Pts 46); 2, A. Madrid (27-35).

## FIXTURES

Soccer

(7.30 pm unless stated)

CANON LEAGUE. — Fourth Division: Stockport v. Hereford.

BOB LORD TROPHY. — Third Round: Kettering v. Altrincham.

GOLA LEAGUE. — Nuneaton v. Enfield.

SOUTHERN LEAGUE. — Southern Division: Watersonville v. Thamel.

SERVOWARM ISTHMIAN LEAGUE. — Premier Division: Croydon v. Hendon.

NORTHERN PREMIER LEAGUE. — Horwich v. Goole.

CENTRAL LEAGUE. — First Division: Newcastle v. Barnsley (7.0). Second Division: Leicester v. Bolton (7.0); Middlesbrough v. Grimsby (7.0).

Rugby Union

CLUB MATCH. — Glamorgan W v. Newbridge.

Richard Eaton

# Weary Douglas still out on his own

## TABLE TENNIS

Desmond Douglas extended his all-time record of national singles titles to eight at Bletchley yesterday when he beat the 18-year-old Alan Cooke 16-21, 23-21, 21-13, 21-19 in the final.

Not since another famous close to the table player, Denis Neale, took the title away from Douglas in 1977 has the Birmingham lefthander been beaten by an Englishman, and the likelihood is that the record will never be beaten even if at the age of 30, he loses next year.

Douglas's natural reflex blocking, to which he has increasingly added to an ability to attack both with smashes and whippy top-spin loops, has placed him so far ahead of any other English player as to be almost out of sight — even in the remarkable year when John Hilton, with his celebrated combination bat, won the European title.

On yesterday's evidence, which included five points for the admirably ambitious Cooke, to go two games up, there will be more and more some moments when the gap will appear to have narrowed.

"In fact I'll stick my neck out and say that now he is going to play regularly in this country next season he won't go through it without being beaten," said the second seed from Chesterfield, who has sometimes been accused of being too lightweight but who yesterday showed a refreshing inclination to get in first to attack.

Douglas is aware of the danger. He looks worn and says he feels it. His best though is still capable of beating anyone in the world and this is what the ETTA must at all costs preserve when he is contracted to the next season.

England's other No. 2, Joy Grundy, is certain to miss the team event at Douglas after withdrawing from the women's singles on Saturday with a bad back. Karen Witt, the former champion, is still troubled by a back that now threatens her retirement and which also contributed to yesterday's semi-final loss to Jackie Bellinger.

With her sister Lisa beating the reigning champion, Alison Gordon, and then going on to take the title, it created the first pair of sisters ever to meet each other in the final. They also won the doubles together.

Dilip Rao at Aalborg

# English pair outrun

## BADMINTON

AS A MATTER of course, England yesterday claimed the mixed doubles title in the Danish Open Championship at Aalborg, with Dipak Tailor and Nora Perry prevailing over their top-seeded stable-mates, Martin Dew and Gillian Gilks.

But in the women's doubles final, Mrs Gilks and Mrs Perry, who split up after winning the All-England in 1980 and were combining for the first time since, were fairly trounced by the reigning champions from Korea, Yu Ja Kim and Sang Hee Yoo.

Age was heavily against the English housewives and their reach was no answer to the fire and speed of the Koreans.

Tailor was at his sparkling best in a mixed doubles final, which was raised to great height not only by the interesting shifts in fortune but by many thrilling rallies which had the uncommitted Danish crowd in raptures.

Morten Frost (Denmark) retained the men's singles title, encountering little resistance in the final from the unseeded Korean, Han Kook Sung. The tall Dane finished the competition without conceding a single game.



Charles Burgess on a cliffhanging climax to the Paris-Nice race

# Kelly climbs to record fourth win


RIDING HIGH . . . Kelly on the way to victory yesterday

CYCLING

IRISH domination of the Paris-Nice stage race continued yesterday. Beneath an azure sky on the hills behind Nice, Sean Kelly won the event for the fourth successive time and his compatriot, Stephen Roche, winner in 1981, was second for the second year running. The Race to The Sun had finally found its goal and its victor after eight days and more than 1,100 kilometres, mostly spent under cloud or rain.

It became a cliffhanger on La Grande Corniche when the riders faced an 11-kilometre time trial up from the edge of the Mediterranean to the 510-metre-high Col d'Eze.

Kelly, the 28-year-old farmer's son from Carrick-on-Sur, who was the world's best professional cyclist last year, started the stage 43 seconds behind his team-mate, Frederic Vichot, who had worn the leader's white jersey since Friday. The Frenchman was the last man to go but as he climbed the crowd were already acclaiming Kelly's victory for the Skil team leader's time of 20min 53sec was far too good for his lieutenant.

In the event the stage was won by Roche, the leader of La Redoute, who was just a second faster than his friend. Throughout the eight days the pair could be seen chatting at the beginning of each stage before business demanded they be rivals.

When the bonus seconds had been worked out, Kelly, who did not win a single stage, was declared the overall winner by 23 seconds, with Vichot third at 54 seconds. Phil Anderson, the Australian who had been lying second, struggled on the time trial and finished fourth overall, 1min 43sec off the lead.

Kelly, who enjoyed 32 victories last year, said: "Right from the start in Paris I was never convinced I would win this race again because I did not feel my form was up to it. I feel sorry for Vichot but when it comes down to a time trial it's every man for himself. It's a great way to start the season, especially winning a record four times in a row. I hope it's the start of another good summer."

With the renowned climber Robert Millar of Glasgow claiming fourth place in the time trial, a minute behind Roche, to finish sixth overall, there were four English speakers in the top 10, further proof of the successful rise of the non-Continentals.

On the morning's 100-kilometre stage from Mandelieu to Nice there was a shock in store for the main contenders when on the descent of the 900-metre high Col de Vence, 40 kilometres from the finish, the Renault rider, Charly Mottet, took advantage of a lull to go on a lone break.

With 20 kilometres to go he had a lead of 1min 40sec to be the leader on the road. His team had been hit by abandonments and injury and he had to make a brave solo effort to try to get amongst the leaders.

But with no one to help him he was hit by the bane of a rider on his own, a buffeting head wind when he reached the long, wide, sweeping road on the seafront at Nice, with the Mediterranean glittering on one side and the expensive apartments of the jet set still shuttered on the other.

There was nowhere to take shelter and behind him, Kelly's team desperate to cut down the lead, led the bunch at speed. No other team would help them, with the men in Anderson and Roche's teams taking the calculated gamble of sitting back and letting Skil do all the work. If Mottet had got a long way away they would have looked foolish.

As Mottet headed towards the line, through the palm trees, Skil's men cut his lead and when he crossed the line, the main bunch were in the distance behind him, surrounded by cars and motorbikes, klaxons blaring. The Frenchman won by 19 seconds to move in to third place for lunch. Kelly was beaten in to third place but he had denied his main rivals any bonuses. Mottet was to fall on the hill.

RUGBY LEAGUE

Paul Fitzpatrick
Bradford N 6, Wigan 7

# Gill takes the vital chance

Henderson Gill, never one to hide his light under a bushel, will tell anyone at Central Park willing to listen that he is the best place-kicker on Wigan's books.

They might now start to believe him. The Wigan left-winger won this absorbing quarter-final Silk Cut Challenge Cup tie at Odsal yesterday with a penalty in the 64th minute. It was not the most difficult kick ever taken, but Gill possessed the resolve and concentration to make light work of it.

That penalty took Wigan into the lead at 7-6 and although they then had to withstand a pounding from an honest and willing Bradford side, for whom Parrish ultimately failed to salvage a replay with a dropped goal attempt, they survived and are now one step away from a second successive appearance at Wembley.

Open football was at a premium in a ceaselessly rousing contest in which the tackling was intense from first to last. A charged atmosphere was heightened further by the big crowd. Wigan's followers had poured over the Pennines in their thousands and now, in an Odsal Stadium being reshaped for the world speedway final later this year, spilt over into prohibited parts of the ground.

The referee delayed the start of the second half until the hordes had retreated behind the barriers and later threatened to abandon the match if the crowd were again to invade the field, as they did when Gill scored a splendid try five minutes after half-time.

Fortunately the players, in spite of the prize at stake and the ferocity of the tackling, did nothing to inflame the situation and there were few further problems for Mr Allatt.

After a first half of remorseless tackling, Bradford deservedly were 2-0 ahead through a penalty by Parrish but minus Noble and Kellaway, who were injured just past the half-hour. Wigan possessed the greater craft, but Bradford had obviously been well conditioned for this encounter and their defence held firm until Mike Ford, an excellent half-back partner for Kenny, produced a well-judged kick towards the left touchline. The ball bounced awkwardly for Mumby but kindly for Gill, who wriggled round his opponent, miraculously kept out of touch, and raced clear.

That was a fine try but it was answered by one of comparable quality 10 minutes later. This time the dangerous Hanley, who suffered nothing in comparison with Kenny, made a powerful break down the right, resisting at least three tackles and slipping a choice pass to McGowan, who plunged over.

Just before that Ford had dropped a goal and with Bradford now leading 6-5 the tension mounted. It built to a climax 16 minutes from time when Stone was panalised for a trip on Campbell and Gill stepped up to take that crucial kick. Wigan just about deserved their victory, but it is a shame that Hanley will not be seen at Wembley this year. It would have been a fitting stage for an outstanding stand-off.

Bradford Northern.—Mumby; Parrish, Redfearn, Davies, Parker, Hanley, Crossley; Grayshon, Noble (McGowan 32min), Kellaway (Stone 32min), Jasiewicz, Rathbone, Fleming.

Wigan.—Edwards; Whitfield, Stephenson, Donlan, Gill; Kenny, M. Ford; Campbell, Kiss, Case, West, Wane, Potter.
Referee: K. Allatt (Southport).

● The Cup favourites, Hull KR were too strong for Hunslet at Elland Road. Although the home side rallied to reduce the arrears early in the second half, they never possessed the power to stop Rovers moving into the last four with a 27-7 victory.

John Rodda

# UK event put under threat

ATHLETICS

The Combined Promotions Unit of the British Amateur Athletic Board and the Amateur Athletic Association must this week reconsider the decision to hold the United Kingdom Championships at Antrim in May. Ade Mafe and Todd Bennett, two sprinters who might be considered star attractions at these championships, confirmed after their races at Cosford on Saturday that they would not be taking part. Others will follow so that what is usually a poorly supported event — it is too early in the season — is likely to be hardly worthy of its title.

An international bowls competition and a badminton match have been cancelled as a result of the recent threat by terrorist organisations to attack sporting events. While the prime responsibility of the British Board's officers must be the safety of competitors, they should take account also of the quality and quantity of the competition. The new television package with ITV opens, as far as track and field are concerned, with the UK event and the only hope of a worthwhile start to their tenure is to bring the meeting back to the mainland.

The conference to announce the championships in Antrim last week was arranged well before the INFLA threat and the mortar bomb attack in Newry. To have moved the championships then would have created too much publicity unwelcome to the Government who are associated with the event financially. Once the likely support for the meeting has been assessed, there must surely, unhappily, be a move of the championships, probably to Cwmbran, near Newport.

There was plenty about England's performance against the United States in the Kodak Classic to dispel the despondency of defeat. The Americans scraped together their winning margin of three points out of England's current depression in the jumps and throws.

On the track Mike MacFarlane came back from his golden trip to Athens and accounted for Mel Lattany in the 60 metres, equalling the fastest time achieved at Cosford, 6.65 seconds; Todd Bennett, dropping down to 200 metres, could not quite cope with Ade Mafe, who was happier with an outside lane. It was a spectacular event with Bennett thrusting ahead out of the final bend and Mafe overhauling him in the last 10 metres and recording 21.05 seconds, an allcomers' best. Bennett, five hundredths of a second slower, showed that he is not losing his edge.

David Lewis, after the mud of Milton Keynes in the English nine-mile cross-country championship which he won the previous Saturday, looked clean and sharp for the 3,000 metres and picked off Jack Buckner on the final lap. Lewis runs for England in the world cross-country championships on March 24 but next week intends to compete in a 10-kilometre road race which may not be the best sort of preparation for the tough race in Portugal.

The mile did not quite produce the fireworks it was meant to but all five men went under four minutes. James Mays, first home in the 800 metres but disqualified for breaking his lane too early, still did the job of pacemaker adequately but ought to have dug a little deeper through the second quarter. When Jim Spivey, of the US, took up the front running for the second half he always looked too strong and ran on for a new Cosford record of 3 minutes 57.29 seconds. Colin Braleley from Stoke, who is only 19, chopped his best time from 4 minutes 3 seconds to 3 minutes 57.88 seconds to achieve a British best mark; Bob Harrison was too tired from his Athens exploits to be a challenger.

In the high jump Geoff Parsons, a Scot competing as a guest, achieved the most significant performance of the afternoon, a United Kingdom best mark of 2.24 metres in his first competition of the year. It was good enough to beat the Americans and, once Parsons gets outdoors, he ought to be up quickly to 2.28 metres and so able to join the European circuit which will bring him much needed experience.

John Samuel at Aspen, Colorado

# Girardelli scores after rule row

SKIING

MARC GIRARDELLI won a race that almost never was, the Aspen Giant Slalom, yesterday to add the World Cup giant slalom overall title to the special slalom and open a virtually unassailable lead over his Swiss rival, Pirmin Zurbriggen, for the overall championship.

The race was run on conventional lines after Girardelli's father and coach, Helmut, together with the Swiss head coach, Karl Freshner, joined in a major rebellion against the experimental rules brought in by the International Ski Federation for the last slaloms, eliminating all but the top 30 in the second run and requiring the fastest racer on the first run to go last.

The organisation was in chaos for an hour after the race jury announced that the experimental rules were void, and a major row developed between them and the World Cup committee chairman Serge Lang, who said they had to obey the experimental rules or the race will be declared void for World Cup points.

Even as the racers were taking off on the first run Lang was telephoning the FIS director, Gianfranco Kasper, for a ruling. Kasper said from Berne that if the racers and coaches had brought pressure to bear on the jury then they had to be overruled. "We cannot have the racers tell us what to do," said Lang, "or there will be chaos."

After an anxious huddle between runs, the technical director, Christian Poley of Austria, denied there was race pressure. The jury thought the soft new snow had made the competition unfair. Zurbriggen, desperately needing a win to deny Girardelli the giant slalom title, would have started 28th and Girardelli 26th on a rutted course almost certainly denying them the chance of winning.

"We don't often get soft conditions like that there," said Harod Schoenhaar, the United States head coach. "It shows we must rethink the whole thing. I'm not against the elimination concept, but maybe you should only reverse the first 15."

Under the conventional rules, Girardelli — who almost fell in the first run — started first on the second run as the fifth fastest, with Alex Giorgi next, then Zurbriggen, fourth Ingemar Stenmark, in something like his old form, and the Olympic champion, Max Julen, fifth — generally recognised the best start number.

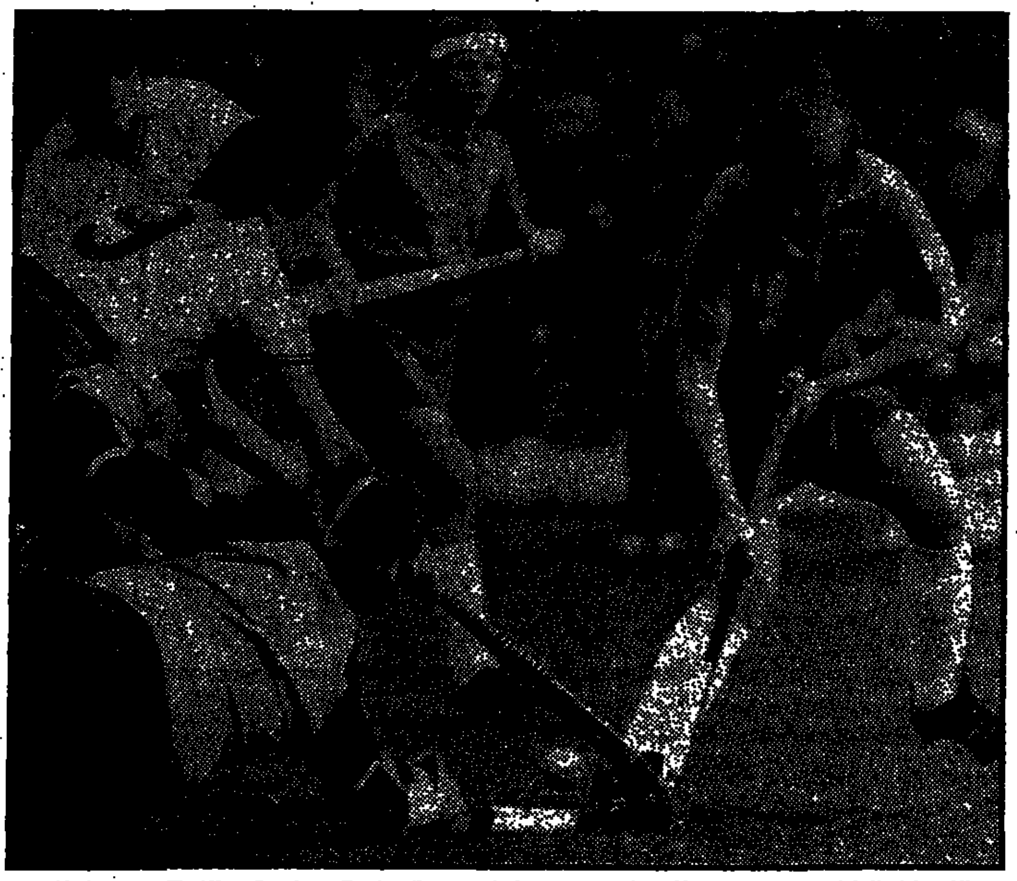
Girardelli attacked so hard that to his own surprise he achieved an aggregate of 2min 27.40sec, 32-hundredths faster than Stenmark, who was thus denied his first victory of the season and the 80th of his distinguished career. The Swede said he would continue for another year but not if the FIS persisted with its experiment, which, he said, made a nonsense of slalom racing.

By comparison the downhill was a clean, straightforward fight in the 80 mph lane with Peter Mueller, whose baby this course is, winning his first World Cup downhill in three seasons. Zurbriggen, skiing the top of the course poorly, was 22nd in a race he had to win to stand a chance of overhauling Helmut Hoeflehner, victor in three of the European downhills. The Austrian, an honourable fourth, thus became the 1985 downhill titleholder.

Mueller makes no secret of his love for the US and Aspen in particular, where he takes time off to fish, dance and exercise his English. In Europe he has often been classed as a villain, a burly blond prizefighter of a man, now 27, the overall downhill champion of 1980, and a double Aspen winner in 1982.

The reputation stems partly from his pugnacious appearance, occasionally from some equally aggressive remarks, but all that was forgotten as Mueller, the master glider of the all-important top section, achieved the third fastest time to his fellow Swiss, Karl Alpiger, and crossed the finish line in 1min 45.74sec, a course record, raising both sticks in elation. Hoeflehner skied a good race for fourth behind Alpiger, the season's outstanding new boy, albeit 33 years old, and Sepp Wildgreber of West Germany.

WORLD CUP MEN'S DOWNHILL (Aspen, Col) 1, P. Mueller (Switz) 1 min 45.74 sec; 2, K. Alpiger (Switz) 1:45.91; 3, S. Wildgruber (W Ger) 1:46.58; 4, H. Hoeflehner (Aus) 1:46.62; equal 5, B. Kernen (Switz) F. Heinzer (Switz) 1:46.63. Other: 54, N. Smith (GB) 1:50.97.
World Cup Downhill Standings: 1, Hoeflehner 107pts; 2, Mueller 91; equal 3, Wirnsberger (Aus) and Alpiger 80; 5, Heinzer 72; 6, P. Zurbriggen (Switz) 67.
WORLD CUP MEN'S GIANT SLALOM (Aspen): 1, M. Girardelli (Lux) 2 min 27.40 sec; 2, I. Stenmark (Swe) 2:27.72; 3, M. Julen (Switz) 2:27.86.
WORLD CUP WOMEN'S DOWNHILL (Sunshine Village Alberta) 1, L. Graham (Can) 1min 19.50 sec; 2, M. Figini (Switz) 1:19.89; 3, M. Walliser (Switz) 1:20.28; 4, K. Stemmle (Can) 1:20.85; 5, Z. Haas (Switz) 1:20.98; 6, C. Emmett (Fr) 1:21.00. British: 43, C. Booth 1:25.69; 44, M. Langmuir 1:25.95.
World Cup overall standings: 1, Figini 254pts; 2, Walliser 197; 3, B. Oertli (Switz) 196; 4, M. Kiehl (W. Ger) 158; 5, O. Charvatova (Czech) 157; 6, E. Kirchler (Switz) 156.
World Cup Final Downhill standings: 1, Figini 115pts; 2, Walliser (Switz) 81; 3, Oertli 76.


STICKING POINT: Kim Gordon, England's No. 9, is supported by Karen Brown and foiled by Alison Weir, the Scottish goalkeeper, and her defence. Picture by Tommy Hindley

Janet Ruff—England 3, Scotland 0

# Scots caught on the hop again

HOCKEY

England, with a 5-3-2 attacking formation, rose to the occasion of facing Scotland at Wembley and beat them 3-0 for the Tipp-Ex Trophy.

The crowd of 41,000 had hardly settled when England scored in their opening attack. A strong run and shot from Karen Brown was forced in by Julie Bannister. For the fourth consecutive encounter with England, Scotland had conceded a goal inside four minutes.

In the 13th minute England broke through again. A forcing run by Caroline Rule was finished with precision by Kim Gordon to make Scotland, who were otherwise matching England, rue their lack of strikers. Faced with an uphill task Scotland, with sweeper Moira MacLeod inspiring, played with spirit to draw fine performances from Rule and Sue Holwell, playing in her second international.

The early pace could not be maintained into the second half and, with the game dwindling in excitement England finished as strongly as they started. Bannister passed, Souyave shot and Mary Cheetham followed up for her first England goal. The lessons of finishing were complete.

Singular honour in a fine team performance seemed almost inappropriate but the inaugural award of the Marjorie Pollard Salver for player of the match was made to England's Julie Bannister.

With Wales surprisingly beating Ireland 1-0 at Cork with a goal by Maralyn Pugh, England need only draw their remaining match with Ireland to win the home countries championship.

# Kerly's double douses fire

Two superb goals for Southgate by Sean Kerly, Britain's free-scoring Olympic centre forward, were the highlight of the Hockey Association Cup when the eighth finals were finally completed yesterday. His goals came in a two-minute spell just before the interval and helped the former European champions to a 3-0 victory over Firebrands, the last West survivors.

It was a sad day too for the East and North. All their teams were eliminated but Midlands have two clubs to break up the Southern monopoly in the quarter-finals on April 21. The Moseley side Pickwick (already qualified) were joined by Edgbaston, a Second Division side who beat Bishop's Stortford 1-0 with a second-half goal by Ian Mellor.

East's Peterborough, another Second Division side, threatened an upset by taking a 50th-minute led against fancied Hounslow but the New Zealander Peter Miskimmin equalised with a solo effort and another Olympian, Jon Potter, scored Hounslow's winner.

Bowdon, North's last hope, went down gallantly, coming back twice to equalise against Teddington but eventually tiring and succumbing 4-2.

Four of the major leagues were settled at the weekend, Olton claiming the Sitact title with a 1-0 win over Stone yesterday, and East Grinstead (Truman South), Isca (Sun Life West) and Welton (OCL Yorkshire) all clinching titles with handsome away victories on Saturday.

HA CUP. — Revised Quarter-final Draw (April 21): Blackheath v. Slough; Hounslow v. Edgbaston; Teddington v. Southgate; Trojans v. Pickwick.

QUALIFIERS FOR INTER LEAGUE FINALS (Prescot, May 4-5). — East Grinstead, Isca, Olton WW, North (Neston, Welton or North East winner), Atari London winner, Norwich Union East winner.

Pat Rowley

# Vijay for victory

TENNIS

Vijay Amritraj led India to their first Davis Cup victory over Italy yesterday when he beat Franco Cancellotti in four sets to give the home nation an unassailable 3-1 lead in Calcutta.

Amritraj defeated Cancellotti 5-7, 6-4, 6-3, 8-6 to put India into the second round of the World Group, where they will meet the winners of the postponed tie between Chile and the holders, Sweden.

France, runners-up in 1982, were on the brink of a first-round elimination in Asuncion when Yannick Noah and Henri Leconte trailed Paraguay's Victor Pecci and Francisco Gonzalez, who had won the two opening singles, two sets to one in the doubles.

But Noah and Leconte found hidden reserves of stamina in the stifling heat and went on to win 6-2, 3-6, 6-8, 7-5, 6-3 to narrow the deficit to 2-1.

Martyn Williams — Pontypool 24, Cardiff 6

# Old brigade hit Cardiff

RUGBY UNION

The rehearsal for the Schweppes Cup semi-final went badly for Cardiff. They fluffed their lines and lost their central character and captain, Terry Holmes, at half-time. He will return for Wales next week

Pontypool kept to the script that has served them well in retaining a 34-match unbeaten sequence against domestic opposition, and rarely allowed Cardiff a chance

It may have been predictable stuff to watch but Poolers applauded every victorious ruck, maul, line-out and attacking grubber kick as Cardiff went down to their heaviest defeat since Christmas Eve, 1983.

With three of the Welsh pack in Cardiff colours, it must have been disturbing for R. H. Williams, the Welsh selector, to see the retired Pontypool international brigade of Price, Butler and Squire tear into Cardiff to win by two goals and four penalties to two penalties by Gareth Davies. Even Bobby Windsor, in his 13th season with Pontypool, popped up in the second half as a replacement and scored a try from a rolling maul.

Peter Lewis kicked four penalties to Gareth Davies's two before Pontypool scored their first try. An inside pass from Donovan to Ring was intercepted by Bleddyn Taylor, and, with Lewis's conversion, the outcome was sealed. Windsor's try, Pontypool's 150th of the season, again converted by Lewis, left the Cardiff coaches to do some head scratching.

Pontypool.—P. Lewis; G. Davies, L. Faulkner, L. Jones, S. Hanson; B. Taylor, C. Morgan; S. Jones, Steve Jones, G. Price, J. Perkins, K. Moseley, M. Brown, E. Butler (capt), J. Squire (sub. R. Windsor).

Cardiff.—P. Rees; G. Cordle, M. Ring, A. Donovan, A. Hadley; G. Davies, T. Holmes (capt) (sub. S. Cannon); J. Whitefoot, J. Souto, M. Eidman, H. Stone, R. Norster, R. Lakin, J. Scott, G. Roberts.
Referee: W. D. Bevan (Swansea).

## RESULTS

### Rugby League

SILK CUT CHALLENGE CUP
Quarter-finals

SATURDAY.—Hull (0) 6, Widnes (0) 6. Hull: Try, Divorty; Goal, Crooks. Widnes: Try, Currier; Goal, Burke. (11,559): replay Wednesday.

YESTERDAY

Bradford N. (2) 6, Wigan (0) 7. Bradford: Try, Parrish; Goal, McGowan. Wigan: Try, Gill; Goal, Gill; DG, M. Ford (18,000).
Castleford (34) 68, Bramley (6) 18. Castleford: Tries, Marchant (5), K. Beardmore (3), Johnson, Ward, Joyner, Chapman; Goals: R. Beardmore (7). Bramley: Tries, Lister, Gascoigne, Harrison; Goals, Kilner (3). (4,330)
Hunslet (6) 7, Hull KR (11) 27. Hunslet: Try, King; Goal, Fitzsimmons; DG, Gray. Hull KR: Tries, Clark (2), Robinson, Fairbairn; Goals, Fairbairn (5); DG, Harkin. (7,796)

SLALOM LAGER CHAMPIONSHIP

Halifax (2) 18, Featherstone R (5) 9. Halifax — Tries: Bond, Garrod, Isaacs; Goals: Agar (3). Featherstone — Tries: Hankins, Gilbert; Drop Goal: Fox. (2,684)
St Helens (24) 62, Workington (0) 0. St Helens — Tries: Holding (3), Round, Arkwright, Meninga, Veivers, Burke, Gorley, Haggerty, Ledger; Goals: Ledger (9). (3,500)
Warrington (6) 26, Barrow (6) 8. Warrington — Tries: Roberts, Jackson, Eccles, Forster (2), Gregory; Goals: Carbert, Hesford. Barrow — Try: Quirk; Goals: Ball, Tickle. (2,950)

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| St Helens | 21 | 15 | 0 | 6 | 600 | 338 | 30 |
| Hull KR | 18 | 15 | 0 | 3 | 429 | 212 | 30 |
| Leeds | 22 | 14 | 1 | 7 | 478 | 278 | 29 |
| Oldham | 22 | 14 | 1 | 7 | 410 | 295 | 29 |
| Wigan | 17 | 14 | 0 | 3 | 441 | 254 | 28 |
| Hull | 17 | 11 | 0 | 6 | 434 | 251 | 22 |
| Bradford N | 17 | 11 | 0 | 6 | 381 | 298 | 21 |
| Featherstone R | 23 | 10 | 1 | 12 | 326 | 330 | 21 |
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| [illegible] | 21 | 7 | 0 | 14 | 361 | 634 | 14 |
| Hunslet | 22 | 9 | 0 | 13 | 386 | 485 | 18 |
| Warrington | 22 | 8 | 1 | 14 | 339 | 606 | 13 |
| Leigh | 21 | 6 | 0 | 15 | 379 | 529 | 10 |
| Workington T | 19 | 1 | 0 | 18 | 153 | 561 | 2 |

SECOND DIVISION

Batley (6) 6, Huddersfield (8) 14. Batley — Try: Hillingworth; Goal: Dolton. Huddersfield — Tries: P. Johnson, Pickerill; Goals: Hirst (3). (961)
Bridgend (6) 8, Runcorn H (9) 28. Bridgend — Try: Barwood; Goal: Alred. Runcorn — Tries: Garrity (2), Ashcroft, Daley; Goals: Wood (5); Drop Goal: Wood (2). (229)
Dewsbury (6) 13, Wakefield T (3) 7. Dewsbury — Tries: Womersley, Mills; Goals: Donford (2); Drop Goal: Stephenson. Wakefield — Try: Sygrove; Goal: Sygrove; Drop Goal: Lyons. (1,553)
Fulham (8) 18, Rochdale H. (10) 16. Fulham: Tries, Rochford, Garner; Goals, Wilkinson (5); DG, Wilkinson. R'dale: Tries, Fletcher, Deakin, Cartwright; Goals, Fairhurst (2). (550).
Mansfield M (8) 34, Keighley (12) 22. Mansfield: Tries, Morgan (2), Holden, Buckton, Nicholson; Goals, Holden (7). Keighley: Tries, Hawksworth (2), Butterfield, Bardgett; Goals, Rowse (3). (410).
Sheffield E (11) 18, Carlisle (11) 11. Sheffield — Tries: McDermott, Morton, McDonald; Goal: Rafferty; Drop Goals: Cooper, Pickerill. Carlisle — Tries: Pane, Youngman; Goal: Carroll; Drop Goal: Hardy. (535)
Southend Invicta (6) 12, Salford (30) 58. Southend: Tries, Day, Feleman; Goals, Neel, Cholmondeley. Salford: Tries, Fletcher (3), Griffiths (3), Byrne, Maier, Marsh, Bentley; Goals, Griffiths (8). (111).
Whitehaven (16) 17, Swinton (0) 17. W'haven: Tries, Burney, Gribbin, Dalton; Goals, Cameron (2); DG, Johnstone. Swinton: Tries, Ratcliffe, Derbyshire, Wilson; Goals, Jones (2); Drop Goals: Wilson. (2,200)
York (14) 14, Doncaster (0) 14. York: Tries, Colley, Smith, Pryce; Goal, Steadman. Doncaster: Tries, Morris, Pickett; Goals, Harcombe (3). (1,085).

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|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| Swinton | 20 | 16 | 1 | 3 | 516 | 249 | 33 |
| York | 20 | 14 | 1 | 5 | 473 | 371 | 29 |
| Salford | 19 | 12 | 3 | 4 | 482 | 241 | 27 |
| Dewsbury | 18 | 13 | 1 | 4 | 316 | 178 | 27 |
| Mansfield M | 20 | 13 | 0 | 7 | 378 | 249 | 26 |
| Carlisle | 19 | 13 | 0 | 6 | 480 | 306 | 26 |
| Whitehaven | 18 | 12 | 2 | 4 | 322 | 256 | 26 |
| Batley | 23 | 12 | 0 | 11 | 378 | 383 | 24 |
| Keighley | 20 | 11 | 0 | 9 | 383 | 358 | 22 |
| Blackpool B | 19 | 10 | 0 | 9 | 307 | 272 | 20 |
| Rochdale H | 18 | 8 | 2 | 8 | 278 | 287 | 18 |
| Fulham | 17 | 9 | 0 | 8 | 288 | 319 | 18 |
| Huddersfield | 20 | 8 | 1 | 11 | 290 | 333 | 17 |
| Wakefield T | 19 | 7 | 2 | 10 | 287 | 387 | 16 |
| Runcorn T | 18 | 7 | 1 | 10 | 289 | 349 | 15 |
| Sheffield E | 21 | 6 | 0 | 15 | 297 | 390 | 12 |
| Bramley | 18 | 5 | 1 | 10 | 205 | 228 | 11 |
| Doncaster | 19 | 3 | 1 | 15 | 204 | 531 | 7 |
| Southend Inv | 18 | 2 | 0 | 16 | 219 | 449 | 4 |
| Bridgend | 18 | 1 | 0 | 17 | 178 | 584 | 2 |

### Rugby Union

JOHN PLAYER SPECIAL CUP.—Quarter finals: Coventry 10, Leicester 10 (Coventry win on tries); Gloucester 31, Harlequins 12; London Welsh 21, Waterloo 0; Sale 15, Bath 25.
CLUB MATCHES: Bridgend 9, Aberavon 21; Bristol 32, London Scottish 7; Broughton Park 19, Fylde 31; Camborne 42, Falmouth 9; Chester 9, Sheffield 20; Ebbw Vale 21, Glamorgan Wdrs 3; Exeter 6, Maesteg 14; Gosforth 49, Bradford & Bingley 4; Hartlepool Rovers 16, Otley 19; Hull & ER 25, Roundhay 9; Liverpool 16, Moseley 41; Llanelli 34, Wakefield 22; London Irish 23, Nuneaton 9; Met Police 6, Stroud 9; Middlesbrough 17, Vale of Lune 21; Newbridge 29, Cheltenham 6; Newport 19, Pontypridd 3; Nottingham 76, Birmingham 6; Orrell 9, Headingley 18.
Penarth 9, Launceston 14; Pontypool 24, Cardiff 6; Rosslyn Park 11, Northampton 0; Rugby 6, Huddersfield 14; Saracens 20, Neath 36; South Wales Police 21, Plymouth Albion 10; West Hartlepool 50, Halifax 7; Wasps 58, Bedford 3.
SCHWEPPES SCOTTISH LEAGUE.—Division One: Boroughmuir 9, Kelso 6; Gala 28, Edinburgh Acads 15; Glasgow Acads 16, Ayr 10; Heriot's FP 17, Melrose 7; Jedforest 10, Watsonians 9; Stewarts/FP 36, Selkirk 9; West of Scotland 17, Hawick 36....
NORTHERN CLUBS.—Chester 9, Sheffield 20; Liverpool Univ 0, Caldy 15; Leigh 7, Kersal 0; Southport 15, Heaton Moor 10; St Helens 6, Preston Grasshoppers 15; West Park 10, Aspatria 10; Widnes 37, Littleborough 9; Wigan 6, Sedgley Park 14; Winnington Park 29, Rochdale 12. Yesterday: Lancashire Cup, Quarter-final: Blackburn 13, Broughton Park 18.

YESTERDAY

DORSET & WILTS CUP. — Final: Bournemouth 14, Swindon 3.
HERTS PRESIDENT'S CUP. — Final: Cheshunt 6, Tabard 3.
MIDDLESEX CUP. — Semi-final: Saracens 16, Rosslyn Park 18. Agar Cup, Semi-finals: Ealing 25, West London Inst 22 aet; Old Gaytonians 41, Staines 3.
WHITBREAD FREMLINS KENT CUP. — Semi-finals: Maidstone 0, Blackheath 25; Nat West Bank 9, Askeans 22.
TOUR MATCH. — Loughborough Students 30, Kyoto Univ 10.
CLUB MATCHES.—Richmond 61, Northern 15; Sheffield 3, Morley 8.

### Fencing

CHALLENGE MARTINI INTERNATIONAL (Seymour Hall, London). — Epee. Final: P. Weisse beat S. Jois. Third-place: G. Nielaba beat J. Rouliloux.

### Badminton

DANISH OPEN (Aalborg, Den) Men's Singles, Semi-finals: M. Frost (Den) beat J. P. Nierhoff (Den) 15-5, 15-6; S. Han Kook (S Kor) beat H. Arbi (Indo) 12-15, 15-6, 15-5. Final: Frost beat Han Kook 15-4, 15-5.
Women's Singles, Semi-finals: Z. Yuli (Ch) beat K. Larsen (Den) 12-10, 11-2; W. Jiangni (Ch) beat Q. Ping (Ch) 11-0, 11-3. Final: Yuli beat Jiangni 11-8, 8-11, 11-7.
Men's Doubles, Semi-finals: L. Yongbo-T. Bingyi (Ch) beat M. Christiansen-M. Kjeldsen (Den) 14-15, 15-8, 15-4; R. Sidek-J. Sidek (Malay) beat J. Helledie-S. Fladberg (Den) 15-6, 15-8. Final: Yongbo-Bingyi beat Sidek-Sidek 17-14, 15-8.
Women's Doubles, Semi-finals: Y. Ja Kim-S. Hee Yoo (S Korea) beat H. Young Hwang-S. Woong Chung (S. Kor) 15-11, 15-11; N. Perry-G. Gilks (Eng) beat W. Jian-G. Weizien 15-9, 15-10. Final: Ja Kim-Hee Yoo beat Gilks-Perry 15-7, 15-7.
Mixed Doubles, Semi-finals: M. Dew-G. Gilks (Eng) beat N. Tier-W. Poulton (Eng) 17-18, 15-5, 15-12; D. Tailor-N. Perry (Eng) beat S. Fladberg-G. Paulsen (Den) 15-6, 15-12. Final: Tailor-Perry beat Dew-Gilks 8-15, 15-8, 15-10.

### Athletics

ROME-OSTIA MINI-MARATHON (18-6m). Men: 1, S. Jones (GB) 1hr 26min 24sec; 2, L. Pizzuzzol (Italy) 1-27-44; 3, A. Fantoni (Italy) 1-27-46. Other: 5, G. Peyua (GB) 1-30-26. Women: 1, M. Curatola (Italy) 1-43-13.
CLUSONE RACES (Italy) Men (9kms) 1, A. Cova (Italy) 28min 11sec; 2, G. de Madonna (Italy) 28-13; 5, P. Arpin (Fr) 28-29. Women (4.76kms): 1, R. Possamai (Italy) 16min 41sec; 2, L. McGriffen (Ire) 16-48; 3, C. Haigh (Eng) 17.01.
PROVINCIAL 10 (Windermere to Kendal): 1, K. Capper (Liverpool) 49 mins 14 secs; 2, R. Brewster (Clayton Le Moors 49.27); 3, A. Taylor (Kendal) 49.39. Team: 1, Kendal.
ENGLISH WOMEN'S 10,000M CHAMPIONSHIP (Swindon): 1, S. McDiarmid (Worcester) 36min 21sec; 2, C. Horne (Crawley) 36-52; 3, J. Gates (Bath) 37-03.

### Ice Skating

WORLD CHAMPIONSHIP (Tokyo). — Women's Singles: 1, K. Witt (E Ger) 3.2 pts; 2, K. Ivanova (USSR) 3.8; 3, T. Chin (US) 5.0; 4, A. Kondrashova (USSR) 9.0; 5, D. Thomas (US) 10.2; 6, C. Leistner (W Ger) 13.4. British: 13, S. Jackson 26.2.

### Equestrianism

WEST GERMANY GP (Dortmund) 1, S. Schewe (W. Ger) Wilster 0 faults, 40.16 secs; 2, P. Luther (W. Ger) 0, 41.51; 3, H. Simon (Austria) Gladstone 4, 38.75; 4, P. Schockemohle (W. Ger) Deister 4, 39.09. European league standings (after 8 qualifiers): 1, P. Schockemohle 89pts; 2, N. Skelton (GB) 82pts; 3, Simon 69pts; 4, J. Whitaker (GB) 65; 5, M. Whitaker (GB) 61.

### Golf

PGA TOURNAMENT (Orlando, Fla) Third Round (US unless stated): 208—F. Zoeller 70, 72, 66; Strange 73, 67, 68. 210—A. Magee 73, 69, 68; A. Bean 73, 68, 69; L. Nelson 72, 68, 70; T. Watson 73, 67, 70. Other: 213—N. Faldo (GB) 70, 71, 72.
LPGA INVITATIONAL (Costa Mesa, Cal) Third Round (US unless stated): 209—B. Lauer 70, 71, 68; 213—A. Miller 70, 71, 72; 214—P. Sheehan 71, 70, 73; 215—D. Caponi 77, 68, 70.
BERKHAMSTED TROPHY.—Leading scores: 144—F. George (Beaconsfield) 70, 74. 145—A. Clark (Old Ford Manor) 71, 74; S. Wood (Herne Bay) 72, 73. 146—R. Latham (Porter's Park) 73, 73. 147—P. Newcombe (East Devon) 72, 75; C. Banks (Stanton on the Wolds) 77, 70. 148—R. Willison (Ealing) 74, 74; D. Lee (Ilford) 75, 73; M. Few (Royal Norwich) 79, 69. 149—G. Homewood (Ashford Manor) 76, 73; W. Dowswell (Hallowes) 73, 76; A. Brewer (Denham) 75, 74; A. Rogers (Ealing) 74, 75.
MALAYSIA OPEN (Kuala Lumpur). Fourth Round: 270—T. Gale (Aus) 68, 64, 69, 69. 277—C. Tze-Chung (Tai) 68, 69, 70, 70. 281—L. Shi-Chung (Tai) 68, 71, 71, 71; J. Lewis (US) 70, 70, 71, 70; T. Peralce (US) 70, 72, 70, 69. 282—Y. Singh (India) 70, 73, 70, 69; F. Minoza (Phil) 68, 70, 70, 74; S. Torrance (GB) 69, 70, 71, 72.
KENYA OPEN (Nairobi) Final scores (GB unless stated): 278—B. Harvey, 70, 70, 69, 69. 279—B. Waites 68, 73, 71, 67. 282—L. Fickling 73, 70, 70, 69. 283—D. Russell 71, 69, 75, 68; W. Longmuir 71, 67, 74, 71. 284—J-M Canizares (Sp) 69, 72, 73, 70. 285—J. Rivero (Sp) 73, 70, 69, 73. 288—D. Jagger 75, 73, 74, 66.

### Motor Rallying

SHELL OIL NATIONAL CHAMPIONSHIP.—Round 1, Gwynedd Rally: 1, T. Pond (Metro 6R4) 71 min 46 sec; 2, D. Llewellin (Audi) 73, 39; 3, R. Clark (Sierra) 76, 0.9.
PORTUGUESE RALLY—Final placings: 1, T. Salonen (Fin) Peugot 8hr 7min 25sec; 2, M. Biasion (Italy) Lancia 4-47 behind; 3, W. Roehrl (WG) Audi-Quattro 5-58.

### Cricket

ONE-DAY MATCH (Harare) Zimbabwe 202-6 (G. Hick 61 not out; M. Nicholas 3-25); English Counties XI 173-9 (P. Terry 48, Nicholas 39). Zimbabwe won by 29 runs. Zimbabwe lead one-day series 4-0.
THIRD-PLACE MATCH (Sydney). — New Zealand 138 for 9 (50 overs, J. V. Coney 35; Garner 3 for 29); West Indies 139 for 4 (37.2 overs, I. V. A. Richards 51; Hadlee 3 for 23). West Indies won by 6 wickets.

### Cycling

PARIS–NICE RACE. — Seventh stage (Mandelieu-la-Napoule-Nice, 98km): 1, C. Mottet (Fr) 2hrs 37mins 48secs; 2, J. Paul van Poppel (Neth) at 19sec; 3, S. Kelly (Ire); 4, E. Planckaert (Belg); 5, P. Ruiz Cabestany (Sp); 6, P. Anderson (Aus); 7, M. Earley (Ire) all same time. Time Trial (11km): 1, S. Roche (Ire) 20mins 52secs; 2, S. Kelly 20:53; 3, J-F Bernard (Fr) 21:51; 4, R. Millar (GB) 21:52; 5, P. Munoz (Sp) 22:01; 6, P. Anderson 22:03. Final placings: 1, Kelly 31hrs 10mins 19secs; 2, Roche at 23secs; 3, F. Vichot (Fr) at 44secs; 4, Anderson at 1:04; 5, Munoz at 1:56; 6, Millar 2:11. Other: 35, Earley 44:58; 47, S. Yates (GB) 1:26:33.
MARCH HARE PROFESSIONAL ROAD RACE (Eastway) (40m): 1, M. Williams (PCA) 14 hour 39 min 10 sec; 2, J. McLaughlin (ANC Freight) at half length; 3, S. Sutton (Falcon Maillard) same time; 4, P. Thomas (ANC Freight) at 59 sec.
TYRRHENIAN-ADRIATIC RACE Third stage (Italians unless stated): 1, J. Navarro (Sp) 4 hrs 49 min 10 sec; joint 2, S. Rooks (Neth) N. Ruttimann (Switz) both at 2 sec.
Overall standings: 1, M. Argentin 17hrs 5min 53secs; 2, R. Visentini at 1sec; 3, G. Baronchelli at 4sec.

### Motor Cycling

DAYTONA 200 (Florida). — 1, F. Spencer (US), Honda; 2, W. Cooley (US), Honda; 3, J. Haney (US), Honda; 4, R. Haslam (GB), Honda.

### Boxing

WBC WELTERWEIGHT CHAMPIONSHIP (Paris): Milton McCrory (US, holder) bt Pedro Vilella (US), pts. Eight rounds welterweight, Pablo Baez (Dom Rep) bt Gilles Elbilia (Fra), Rsf-3rd.
EUROPEAN HEAVYWEIGHT CHAMPIONSHIP (Copenhagen): Anders Eklund (Swe) bt Steffan Tangstad (Nor, holder), KO-4th.
HEAVYWEIGHT BOUTS. (Dusseldorf): West German Championship, Charly Graf bt Reiner Hartmann (holder), Rsf-7th. Thomas Classen (W. Ger) bt Dave Garside (GB), pts. (Rodez), Lucien Rodriguez (Fra) bt Dragomir Popovic (Yug), Rsf-8th.

### Hockey

WOMENS' HOME COUNTRIES CHAMPIONSHIP: England 3, Scotland 0; Ireland 0, Wales 1 (Pugh). Standings: 1, England 4 pts; 2, Wales 2; 3, Ireland 1.
ATARI LONDON LEAGUE—Premier: Dulwich 0, Blackheath 1; Teddington 1, Beckenham 0. League: Cambridge Univ 0, Hounslow 4; Cheam 1, Hawks 1; Hampstead 1, Slough 7; Maidenhead 1, Guildford 2; Old Kingstonians 1, Richmond 1; Reading 1, Spencer 3; St Albans 1, Bromley 0; Southgate 7, Wimbledon 0; Tulse Hill 2, Surbiton 0.
REPRESENTATIVE.—RAF 2, Purley 3.

YESTERDAY

HA (ENGLISH) CUP.—Eighth finals: Blackheath 2, St Albans 1; Edgbaston 1, B. Stortford 0; Peterborough 1, Hounslow 2; Southgate 3, Firebrands 0; Teddington 4, Bowdon 2 (aet); Wimbledon 0, Trojans 1 (aet).
COUNTY.—Beds 0, Cambs 1.
SERVICES.—Islanders 2, Combined Services 2.
NORWICH UNION EAST LEAGUE.—Bedford 3, Long Sutton 2.
SUN LIFE WEST LEAGUE.—Plymouth 3, Crickets 0.
GLOS CUP.—Second Round: Westbury Banks 1, Glos C. 2 (aet).
SITACT LEAGUE: Barfold Tigers 1, Khalsa 3; Coventry NW 2, Redditch 2; Harborne 1, N. Saints 2; Olton 1, Stone 0; S. Notts 3, Nottingham 2; Stourport 0 Cannock 0.
TRUMAN SOUTH LEAGUE.—Bognor 2, Essalcote 2; Camberley 0, ETESSA 0; Oxford Hawks 0, Anchorians 0.
OCL YORKSHIRE LEAGUE.—Harrogate 2, Appleby-Frodingham 3; Lincoln 2, Huddersfield 2; Sheffield 0, Welton 0.
NORTH-EAST LEAGUE.—Norton 3, Newcastle Univ. 0; Whitehaven 1, St George's 3.
NORFOLK CUP.—Semi finals: N. Wanderers 0, Harleston 2 (aet); Pelicans 4, Dereham 0 (aet).
BERKS CUP.—Quarter final: Maidenhead 3, Wallingford 0.
EAST WOMEN'S CLUB CHAMPIONSHIP.—Semi finals: Chelmsford 2, Orpington 1; Ipswich 2, Norwich Vagabonds 0. Final: Ipswich 0, Chelmsford 0 (Ipswich won 7-5 on pens.).

### Tennis

US WOMEN'S INDOOR CHAMPIONSHIPS (Princeton, NJ). — Singles Semi-finals: H. Mandlikova (Czech) beat M. Navratilova (US) 7-6, 6-0. Final: Mandlikova beat C. Lindqvist (Swe) 6-3, 7-5.
Doubles Semi-final: Navratilova and P. Shriver (US) beat P. Smith and R. White (US) 6-4, 7-6. Final: Navratilova and Shriver beat M. Mesker (Neth) and E. Sayers-Smylie (Aus) 7-5, 6-2.

### Basketball

CARLSBERG NATIONAL CHAMPIONSHIP. — Quarter-finals (best of 3 matches): Bracknell Pirates 106 (Payton 34), Kingcraft Kingston 115 (Davis 27); Poundstretcher Hemel/Watford Royals 68 (Lloyd 24), FSO Cars Manchester Utd 69 (Irish 24); Nissan Worthing Bears 91 (Jenkins 28), Sperrings Solent Stars 95 (Robinson 25).
NATIONAL LEAGUE. — First Division: Portsmouth 79, Davenports Birmingham 86. Second Division: ANC Liverpool 77, Swindon Rakers 73; Plymouth Raiders 85, Camden 73; John Eld Derby 66, Uxbridge 73; Sandwell 98, Team Telecom Colchester 86; Nottingham 83, McEwan Tyneside 110.
Women's First Division: Homespare Bolton 71, TCB Worthing Wasps 46; Kingcraft Kingston 89, Sheffield Hatters 72; Avon Northampton 70, Ashfield Glass Nottingham 66; Bath 65, Enfield Browns 52; London YMCA 62, Vogue Travel Manchester 68.
PSR ASSURANCE SCOTTISH LEAGUE.—First Division: Falkirk 64, MIM 68; MIM 86, Team Glasgow 83; Team Glasgow 106, Scottish Pride 81; Boroughmuir 119, Stirling 48. MIM win title.

### Table Tennis

ENGLISH CLOSED CHAMPIONSHIPS (Bletchley). — Men's Singles, Quarter-finals: D. Douglas (Warwicks) beat C. Wilson (Middx) 21-14, 21-10, 21-17; S. Mills (Yorks) beat G. Sandley (Middx) 19-21, 22-20, 21-14, 16-21, 21-16; D. Wells (Middx) beat J. Souter (Middx) 21-17, 21-17, 21-18; A. Cooke (Derby) beat S. Andrew (Essex) 20-22, 21-13, 21-19, 21-18. Semi-finals: Douglas beat Mills 21-16, 21-16, 21-19; Cooke beat Wells 21-16, 21-11, 21-11. Final: Douglas beat Cooke 16-21, 23-21, 21-13, 21-19.
Women's Singles, Semi-finals: L. Bellinger (Beds) beat A. Gordon (Berks) 20-22, 23-21, 10-21, 21-13, 21-18; J. Bellinger (Beds) beat K. Witt (Berks) 21-18, 21-15, 22-20. Final: L. Bellinger beat J. Bellinger 21-18, 21-10, 21-18.
Men's Doubles, Final: Douglas and C. Prean (IoW) beat C. Wilson and Souter (Middx) 21-9, 18-21, 21-15.
Women's Doubles, Final: Bellinger and Bellinger beat Witt and S. Sandley (Middx) 15-21, 21-8, 21-17.

### Winter Sport

WORLD CUP 90M SKI-JUMP (Oslo). — 1, M. Nykaenen (Fin) 226.6pts (107.5, 104.0m); 2, F. Wiegele (Aus) 215.1 (105.0, 101.5); 3, G. Balanche (Switz) 210.7 (104.5, 98.5).
WORLD CUP MEN'S 4 x 10KM RELAY (Falun, Swe). — 1, Italy 2hr 12min 16.3 sec.

## BBC-1

6 0 am Ceefax AM. 6 50 Breakfast Time. 9 20 Pages from Ceefax 10 30 Play School. 10 50 Pages from Cefax 12 30 pm News After Noon 12 57 Regional News. 1 0 Pebble Mill at One. 1 45 Postman Pat. 2 0 Men . . . and Intimacy. 2 25 Streetwise: Self defence hints. 2 35 Prima' Tourist German (3). 2 50 Songs of Praise from Maidenhead Ceefax sub-titles. 3 25 Pages from Ceefax. 3 48 Regional News (except London and Scotland). 3 50 Play School. 4 10 SuperTed. 4 15 Jackanory: Tatty Apple by Jenny Nimmo. 4 30 Bananaman. 4 35 Fonz and the Happy Days Gang. 5 0 Newsround. 5 5 Blue Peter. Ceefax sub-titles. 5 35 Grange Hill. Ceefax sub-titles.

6 0 **NEWS**; Weather News.

6 35 **REGIONAL NEWS MAGAZINES.**

7 0 **WOGAN** with guests Matthew Kelly, Paul Theroux, Bruce Grobbelaar, Paul Hogan and Marius May.

7 40 **FAME:** The Monster That Devoured Las Vegas. Much excitement at the Performing Arts School, with the news that Steven Spielberg is to attend the new in-house production — but as a jinx hits the preparations, the students seem to be heading for a close encounter with disaster. Can Morloch (Ken Swofford) turn things around — and himself upside down — and save the show?

8 30 **ARE YOU BEING SERVED?** Gambling Fever. Mollie Sugden, John Inman lead the department store mayhem, with closed circuit television being installed at Grace Brothers to help with security, and the staff finding it extremely useful for their own ends.

9 0 **NEWS**; Weather News.

9 25 **PANORAMA:** No Asylum? "The stage has now been reached where the rhetoric of community care has to be matched by action." Thus the recent report of the Commons Social Services Committee on the Government's plan to close down Britain's old Victorian mental asylums and to provide treatment and rehabilitation for the inmates within "the community." Is this apparently humane policy really working, or are hundreds of mental patients being cruelly thrust into an alien and uncaring world which does not have the resources to cope with them? Philip Tibenham asks whether a well intentioned concept is failing for lack of back-up and funding.

10 5 **THUNDERBOLT AND LIGHTFOOT.** Michael (The Deer Hunter) Cimino made his praised debut in 1974 with this interesting thriller, showing in the Clint Eastwood season, in which Vietnam-vet-turned-villain Eastwood teams up with young drifter Jeff Bridges to stage a daring big money robbery. 11 55 Weather; close.

**WALES:** 5 35-6 0 pm Wales Today. 6 35-7 0 Grange Hill. 11 55-12 20 am The Sky At Night.

**NORTHERN IRELAND:** 5 35 pm Today's Sport. 5 40-6 0 Inside Ulster. 6 35-7 0 Channel One. 11 57 Channel One Update. 12 0 News, Weather, Close.

## BBC-2

6 30-7 20 am Open University. 9 0 Pages from Ceefax. 9 15 Daytime on Two: Higher Education: 9 38 Going to Work: 10 0 You and Me: 10 15 Music Time: 10 38 British Social History: From Sail to Steam: 11 0 Zig Zag (Ceefax sub-titles): 11 23 Des le Debut. 11 42 General Studies: Updating Shakespeare. 12 10 pm Lifegames: public speaking: 12 40 Plants in Action: 1 5 Rockschool: 1 30 Pages from Ceefax: 1 38 Scotland this Century: 2 0 Words and Pictures: 2 18 Exploring Science: Stars: 2 40 The Music Arcade. 3 0 Pages from Ceefax.

5 25 **NEWS** with sub-titles: weather

5 30 **LETTER FROM AN UNKNOWN WOMAN.** The Hollywood Ladies season offers a rare showing of this touching and beautifully crafted romantic drama. Hollywood — made in 1948 by the emigre director Max Ophuls, and set in fin-de-siecle Vienna, with Joan Fontaine

6 55 **THE WORLD CHAMPIONSHIP OF CRICKET.** Another chance to see highlights of the 50-overs-a-side final between India and Pakistan, first show last night.

7 45 **MADHUR JAFFREY'S INDIAN COOKERY.** 4: Masoor Dal. Re-run recipes to spice up fish and vegetables.

8 10 **HORIZON:** Eurekaaargh! Could Stephen Hobday's bright idea revolutionise the typewriter keyboard? Is David Jones on to a winner with his circular clock? Presenter Robert Symes, who confesses to being a failed inventor himself, looks at the state of invention in Britain today, and meets some of the private individuals, like Stephen and David, who dream of emulating the success of Ron "the Workmate" Hickman.

9 0 **THE BOB MONKHOUSE SHOW.** Last of the series, with comic contributions from Tom O'Connor, Liz Robertson, and America's Steven Landesberg.

9 50 **ARENA:** From An Immigrant's Notebook — Karen Blixen In Africa. In 1913 Danish-born Karen embarked on a new life in Kenya — and on an intoxicating love affair with Africa and the African peoples. Twenty years later she was home for good, having lost home, health, and marriage; but still fuelled by affection for her beloved adopted country she began to write about it. This portrait of the author of Out Of Africa, Seven Gothic Tales, and Last Tales, includes contributions from Karen Blixen's former servant Kamante, her biographer Judith Thurman, from Elspeth Huxley and Sir Laurens van der Post.

11 0 **NEWSNIGHT.** 11 45 Weatherview: 11 55 close.

## ITV London

6 15 am Good Morning Britain. 9 25 News Headlines; Schools: 9 30 Picture Box; 9 47 Let's Read . . . with Basil Brush; 9 59 Stop, Look, Listen; 10 12 Starting Science; 10 32 The English Programme; 11 2 Seeing and Doing; 11 20 Junior Maths; 11 38 The French Programme. 12 noon Tickle on the Tum. 12 10 pm Let's Pretend. 12 30 Baby & Co. 1 0 News. 1 20 Thames News. 1 30 Film: Marriage is Alive and Well. With Joe Namath, Susan Sullivan. 3 25 News Headlines. 3 30 The Young Doctors. 4 0 Tickle on the Tum. 4 15 The Moomins. 4 20 He-Man and Masters of the Universe. 4 45 Dodger, Bonzo and the Rest. Oracle sub-titles. 5 15 Emmerdale Farm.

5 45 **NEWS:** weather.

6 0 **THAMES NEWS.**

6 25 **HELP!** Community action with Viv Taylor Gee.

6 35 **CROSSROADS.**

7 0 **WHAT'S MY LINE?** Eamonn Andrews with more occupational challenges.

7 30 **CORONATION STREET.** Oracle sub-titles.

8 0 **ROLL OVER BEETHOVEN.** More comic developments in the relationship between music teacher Belinda (Liza Goddard) and her rock star pupil (Nigel Planer), with Richard Vernon as her crusty parent, now choking over his old school tie to discover who'll be guest of honour at speech day. Oracle sub-titles.

8 30 **WORLD IN ACTION.** A six month investigation has concluded that almost everywhere more, not less, money is being found to employ more doctors and nurses to treat more patients. But there's a crisis in the Health Service, nevertheless. The first of three programmes on the subject reveals that doctors are having to lie to patients over 50 who could in fact be cured. Patients over that age stand less chance of being cured in Britain than in almost anywhere else in Western Europe.

9 0 **QUINCY:** Beyond The Open Door. Jack Klugman as the forensic detective, admitting defeat for once in the search for a crazed killer, and having to turn to a psychic housewife for assistance.

10 0 **NEWS AT TEN**; weather.

10 30 **WIDOWS.** Starting a repeat showing, over three nights, of the immensely stylish thriller from Thames' offshoot, Euston Films, which is to be followed next month by a new sequel. Ann Mitchell, Maureen O'Farrell and Fiona Hendley play the three villains' wives about to be thrown together by a terrible accident, and a dangerous legacy which could pay rich dividends. Eva Mottley is the fourth member of their quartet.

12 25 **NIGHT THOUGHTS** with Dr Sheila Cassidy. Closedown.

## Channel 4

2 35 Vietnam — The Ten Thousand Day War. 3 0 The Late Late Show. 4 0 A Plus 4. 4 30 Countdown. 5 0 Alice.

5 30 **4 COMPUTER BUFFS.** Tony Bastable, Jane Ashton with more technological information, going on-line to Micronet and Compunet, introducing the language LOGO, and explaining how to acquire an orbiting mailbox.

6 0 **WHERE IN THE WORLD?** Ray Alan chairs another round of the travel quiz.

6 30 **S.W.A.L.K.:** Saturday Night Fever. Nicola Cowper as the young heroine learning that real life isn't like the fantasy flogged in her comic magazines, Prunella Scales as the persuasive agony aunt, in Paula Milne's repeated drama for teenagers.

7 0 **CHANNEL FOUR NEWS.** 7 50 Comment by Lord Kennet. Weather.

8 0 **BROOKSIDE.**

8 30 **RELATIVE STRANGERS.** More sitcom sparring between the late start father and son (Matthew Kelly, Mark Farmer)

9 0 **REPERCUSSIONS:** Sit Down And Listen. The Afro-American music history focuses on the art jazz of the post-war East coast, the form that took the tradition to new extremes of sophistication and innovation, and turns the spotlight on one of bebop movement's greatest exponents — the drummer Max Roach.

10 10 **NEWHART:** Book Beat. Another episode of the imported comedy.

10 40 **A DIARY FOR TIMOTHY.** The Eleventh Hour season of independent movies under the overall Late Night Stories title continues with two films dealing with the post-war period, the first made in 1944/5 by the great documentary director Humphrey Jennings. Dedicated to the baby of the title, as a record for his future, with a commentary written by E. M. Forster, it examines Timothy's inheritance through the experiences of some, from bomber pilot to miner, who lived through the war.

11 15 **THE SHORELINE.** Made in 1984, Peter Todd's sombre drama contrasts the wartime dream of a new Britain of peace, democracy, and equality with the reality to come. 11 50 Close.

1 0 pm Countdown. 1 30 Face the Press. 2 0 Ffenestri. 2 20 Cei Cocos. 2 35 Daearyddiaeth. 2 55 Film: The Young Mr Pitt (1942). With Robert Donat. 4 50 Dan Draed. 5 0 Straeon y Byd. 5 30 4 Computer Buffs. 6 0 Discovery. 6 30 Diar, Diar, Doctor. 7 0 Newyddion Saith. 7 30 Arolwg. 8 0 Treasure Hunt. 9 0 Bowen A'i Bartner. 9 50 Y Byd ar Bedwar. 10 20 Families. 11 5 Billiards. 11 50 The Other Side of the Tracks. 12 50 Diwedd.

### Anglia

6 15 As London.
1 20 Anglia News.
1 30 Film: Sherlock Holmes in New York (1976). With Roger Moore.
3 25 As London.
6 0 A War in the Kingdom.
7 0 As London.
12 25 Insights; close.

### Central

6 15 As London.
1 20 Central News.
1 30 Film: Advice to the Lovelorn. 1981 romance with Cloris Leachman.
3 15 Journey Through Time.
3 25 As London.
5 15 Happy Days.
5 45 News.
6 0 Central News.
6 30 Citizen '85.
7 0 As London.
12 25 Contact; close.

### Channel

6 15 As London.
1 20 Channel News.
1 30 Dreams.
2 0 Film: My Cousin Rachel. 1952 historical thriller with Olivia de Havilland, Richard Burton.
4 0 As London.
5 12 Puffin's Pla(i)ce
5 15 Emmerdale Farm
5 45 News.
6 0 Channel Report.
6 30 Diff'rent Strokes.
7 0 As London.
12 25 News in French; close.

### Granada

6 15 As London.
1 20 Granada Reports.
1 30 Film: Wilma. 1977 biopic with Cicely Tyson, Shirley Jo Finney.
3 15 From Grape to Glass.
3 25 Granada Reports News.
3 30 Scramble!
4 0 As London.
5 15 The Beverly Hillbillies.
5 45 News.
6 0 Scramble!
6 30 Granada Reports.
7 0 As London.
12 25 Close.

### HTV

6 15 As London.
1 20 HTV News.
1 30 Film: Once upon a Brothers Grimm. With Dean Jones, Paul Sand.
3 30 As London.
5 15 Keep It in the Family.
5 45 News.
6 0 HTV News.
7 0 As London.
12 25 Weather; close.

Wales: As West except: 6 0-7 0 pm Wales at Six. 10 30 The Dragon has Two Tongues. 11 0 Widows. 12 55 Weather; close.

### South

6 15 As London.
1 20 TVS News.
1 30 Afternoon Club. Film: California Gold Rush (1981). With Robert Hays, John Dehner.
3 30 As London.
5 15 Sons and Daughters.
5 45 News.
6 0 Coast to Coast.
6 40 Airmail.
7 0 As London.
10 30 Questions
11 30 The Yellow Rose.
12 30 Company; close.

### South-West

6 15 As London.
1 20 TSW News.
1 30 Dreams.
2 0 Film: My Cousin Rachel. 1952 historical thriller with Olivia De Havilland, Richard Burton.
4 0 As London.
5 12 Gus Honeybun's Magic Birthdays.
5 15 Emmerdale Farm.
5 45 News.
6 0 Today South-west.
6 30 Diff'rent Strokes.
7 0 As London.
12 25 Postscript; weather; close.

### Tyne-Tees

6 15 As London.
1 20 North-East News: Look-around.
1 30 Film: Gigi. Musical with Leslie Caron, Maurice Chevalier.
3 25 As London.
5 15 Diff'rent Strokes.
5 45 News.
6 2 Mr and Mrs.
6 30 Northern Life.
7 0 As London.
9 00 Magnum.
10 0 News at Ten.
10 32 Nightline.
11 55 Barney Miller.
12 25 I've Got News for You; Close.

### Yorkshire

6 15 As London.
1 20 Calendar News.
1 30 Film: Love Thy Neighbour. 1973 comedy with Jack Smethurst, Kate Williams, Rudolph Walker, Nina Baden-Semper.
3 0 The Protectors.
3 25 News Headlines.
3 30 A Country Practice.
4 0 As London.
5 15 Benson.
5 45 News.
6 0 Calendar.
6 30 Clegg's People.
7 0 As London.
12 25 Close.



## Radio 1

6 0 am Adrian John. 7 0 Mike Read 9 0 Simon Bates 12 0 Gary Davies. 2 30 pm Steve Wright. 5 0 Bruno Brookes. 7 30 Janice Long. 10 0-12 0 John Peel.

## Radio 2

4 0 am Colin Berry. 6 0 Ray Moore 8 5 Ken Bruce. 10 30 Jimmy Young. 1 5 pm David Jacobs. 2 0 Gloria Hunniford. 3 30 Music all the Way 4 0 David Hamilton. 6 0 John Dunn. 8 0 Alan Dell: Dance Band Days: Big Band Era. 9 0 Humphrey Lyttelton. 10 0 Some of these Days. 10 30 Star Sound Special Johnny Green. 11 0 Brian Matthew. 1 0 am Bill Rennells. 3 0-4 0 Folk on 2.

## Radio 3

6 55 Weather.
7 0 News; Morning Concert.
9 0 News; This Week's Composer: Mendelssohn — and Goethe. Auf dem See; Fruhzeitiger Fruhling; Turkisches Schenkenlied; Die Nachtigall (Leipzig Radio Chorus); Die Liebende schreibt; Two Suleika Songs (Elly Amleing/Rudolf Jansen); Die erste Walpurgisnacht (soloists/Leipzig Radio Chorus/Leipzig Gewendhaus/Masur).
10 0 Handel Trio-Sonatas op. 2 Nos 2 and 3, with James Oswald's Sonata of Scots tunes. Played by L'ecole d'Orphee.
10 35 Folk Song Influences. Vaughan Williams: English Folk Song Suite (London Wind Orch/Wick); Poulenc: Suite francaise (Paris Orch/Pretre); Copland: Appalachian Spring (NYPO/Bernstein).
11 25 The Feminine Muse. Songs by Elizabeth Poston, Priaulx Rainier, Mary Plumstead, Brian Rayner Cook (bar), Roger Vignoles (piano).
11 55 Warlock and Friends. Eugene Goossens: Prelude Philip II; Warlock: Capriol Suite; Bax, Bridge, Ireland and Goossens: Variations on Cadet Roussel; Warlock: An old song; Constant Lambert: Horoscope.
1 0 News; BBC Lunchtime Concerts: Steven Isserlis (cello), Paul Coker (piano). Bloch: From Jewish Life; Rachmaninov: Sonata Op 19.
2 0 Music Weekly.
2 45 New Records. Pergolesi: Stabat Mater (Margaret Marshall/Lucia Valentini Terrani/LSO/Abbado): Strauss: Horn Concerto No 2 (Hermann Baumann/Leipzig Gewandhaus/Masur): Wagner: Waltraute's Narration from Gotterdammerung (Brigitte Fassbaender/Stuttgart RSO/Graf): Brahms, orch Schoenberg: Piano Quartet No. 1 (CBSO/Rattle).
4 55 News; Mainly for Pleasure.
6 30 Music for Organ (Johannes Geffert). Pachelbel: Chorale and variations — Was Gott tut, das ist wohlgetan: Liszt, arr Geffert: St Francois d'Assise — predication aux oiseaux; a Choral fantasia by Reimann.
7 10 Amadigi di Gaula. First professional revival since 1717 of Handel's three-act opera. Sung in Italian with Eirian James, Anne Mason, Rachel Yaker, Patrizia Kwella, Stephen Varcoe, London Baroque Players/Norrington.
8 25 The Old Age of My Youth. From the journal of Marie Bashkirtseff (1860-84).
8 40 Amadigi di Gaula. Act 2; (9 40 Interval); Act 3.
10 25 Piano Music by Bax (Martin Roscoe). In a Vodka Shop: A Hill Tune; Sonata No. 2.
11 0 Charpentier, including a Sonate a huit. L'ecole d'Orphes.
11 35 Sibelius: Tapiola. Berlin PO/Karajan. 11 57 News.

## Radio 4

5 55 Shipping Forecast.
6 0 News Briefing.
6 10 Farming Week.
6 25 Prayer for the Day.
6 30 Today including 7 0, 8 0 News.
8 35 The Week on 4.
8 43 James Robinson in the BBC Sound Archives
9 0 News. Start the Week with Richard Baker
9 55 Nerys Hughes on gardens open in aid of District Nurses' benevolent funds.
10 0 News. Money Box. Finance tips
10 30 Morning Story Mr Raynor, the Schoolteacher, by Alan Sillitoe.
10 45 Daily Service.
11 0 News, Down your way in Pontefract.
11 48 Poetry Please. Verse requests.
12 0 News; You and Yours. Consumer news
12 27 The Wordsmiths at Gorsemere. Spoof soap opera about the Romantic Poets.
1 0 The World at One: News.
1 40 The Archers.
2 0 News, Womans Hour: Women as motor mechanics.
3 0 News; Afternoon Play: Neighbourhood Watch, by Peter Whalley. Why are the cops digging up Roy's garden? And where is his wife?
4 17 Stroma of Mey. Atlantic report from circumnavigators Nick and Chris Calder
4 40 Story Time. Miss Mole, by E. H. Young (6).
5 0 PM. News Magazine.
6 0 The Six O'Clock News.
6 30 Blandings. Stories by Wodehouse 6, Crime Wave at Blandings.
7 0 News, the Archers.
7 20 Six Women. Helen Brook — pioneer of sexual liberation for women.
7 45 Science Now.
8 15 Monday Play. Spoiling Egypt. Thriller by Mike Walker
9 45 Kaleidoscope. Arts magazine.
10 15 A Book at Bedtime. The Green Man, by Kingsley Amis (6).
10 30 The World Tonight.
11 15 The Financial World Tonight.
11 30 Today in Parliament.
12 0 News; Weather; Shipping.

VHF: 11 0-12 0 Schools 1 55 pm Listening Corner 2 5-3 0 Schools. 11 0 Study on 4. 11 30-12 10 Open University 12 30-1 10 am Schools Night-Time Broadcasting.

**Wales (340m):** 4 0 am As Radio 2. 6 10 Farming Week. 6 25 Dalun Roberts 7 33 AM 10 3 Mike Flynn. 11 30 Fair Play 12 30 pm Meet for Lunch 1 40 Catchphrase 1 1 45 Alun Williams 3 3 That's How It Was. 4 0 Four-Five-Six 6 0 As Radio 4 7 0 Catchphrase 2 7 5 As Radio 4. 9 45 On Show 10 15 Folk on Monday. 11 2-4 0 am As Radio 2.

**Cymru (VHF):** 5 55 am Weather. Gweler Radio 4 6 25 Helo Bobol 9 5 Brecwast Hwyr. 9 45 Gwynlyd 10 30 Ar Dro 11 5 Newyddion Da. 11 10 Ysgolion 11 35 Stondin Odyddiol. 12 27 pm Torri Record 1 0 Ar Yr Awr 1 20 Garddio 1 50 O Glawr i Glawr. 2 0 Ysgolion 3 50 The Afternoon Play 4 45 Interlude 5 0 Post Prynhawn 6 0 Gweler Wales 9 45 Ffresgo 10 15 Newyddion. Sioe Fideo Radio Cymru 11 30-1 10 am Gweler Radio 4 (VHF).

**Scotland (370m):** 6 0 am As Radio 4. 6 30 Good Morning Scotland. 8 45 Jimmy Mack. 11 3 Macgregor's Gathering 12 0 News, In the Country. 12 30 pm Lunchtime Report. 1 0 As Radio 4 1 40 Options. 2 3 Taking Issue with Colin Bell 3 3 Art Sutter. 5 0 Good Evening Scotland. 6 0 News. Prospect. 6 35 Tell Me More. 7 2 Farming News. 7 20 The Musician in Scotland. 8 2 As Radio 2 10 0 News; Tom Ferrie. 12 0 Close. As Radio 4.

## World Services

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6 0 am Newsdesk. 7 0 News. 7 9 Twenty-Four Hours. 7 30 Sarah and Company. 8 0 News. 8 9 Reflections. 8 15 Goldfinger 8 30 Anything Goes. 9 0 News 9 9 British Press Review. 9 15 Waveguide. 9 25 Good Books. 9 40 Look Ahead. 9 45 Peebles' Choice. 10 0 News. Science in Action. 10 30 Music Now. 11 0 News 11 9 News About Britain. 11 15 Sins of Old Age 12 0 noon Radio Newsreel 12 15 pm Announcer's Programme. 12 45 Sports Roundup. 1 0 News 1 9 Twenty-Four Hours. 1 30 The Elements of Music 2 0 Outlook. 2 45 Medicine in the Third World. 3 0 Radio Newsreel. 3 15 Mainstream. 3 45 Sins of Old Age. 4 0 News 4 9 Commentary. 4 15 Mediterranean Dialogue. 4 30 Seven Wonders of the Modern World 4 45 The World Today 5 0 News. 5 9 Book Choice. 5 15 My Word! 8 0 News 9 15 Short Takes 9 30 Rock Salad. 10 0 News. 10 9 The World Today. 10 25 Book Choice. 10 30 Financial News. 10 40 Reflections. 10 45 Sports Roundup. 11 0 News 11 9 Commentary. 11 15 Seven Wonders of the Modern World. 11 30 Announcer's Programme. 12 0 midnight News. 12 9 am News About Britain. 12 15 Radio Newsreel. 12 30 Sarah and Company. 1 0 News, Outlook. 1 30 Short Story. 1 45 Out on the Floor. 2 0 News. 2 9 British Press Review. 2 15 Network U K. 2 30 Sports International 3 0 News. 3 9 News About Britain. 3 15 The World Today 3 30 John Peel. 4 0 Newsdesk. 4 30 The Classical Guitar. 5 45 The World Today

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with ANDREW SACHS Directed by PETER WOOD

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NOTTINGHAM PLAYHOUSE. Box Office (0602) 414419. Feb 6 - March 9 A MAN FOR ALL SEASONS by Robert Bolt. Starring Kenneth Farrington as Sir Thomas More and Cliff Howells as The Common Man

## CINEMAS

### London

ACADEMY 1. 437 2981. The Tavianis' KAOS (15). Sep. perfs. Weekdays 2.50, 7.25, Suns. 3.40, 7.25.
ACADEMY 2. Olivier's RICHARD III (U). Film at 2.0 (not Sun.), 5.0, 8.0.
ACADEMY 3. 437 8819 Marcel Carne's LES ENFANTS DU PARADIS (PG). Films 4.10, & 7.30.
BARBICAN CINEMA. 628 8795 Students reductn at all perfs KIDS CLUB 11.00 & 2.30 Lavender Hill Mob + Cartoon. MERCHANT IVORY SEASON The Europeans (PG). 6.0. The Bostonians (PG). 8.15. Tickets Bookable
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PLAZA 4. INDIANA JONES AND THE TEMPLE OF DOOM (PG). In DOLBY STEREO. Sep. Progs. Daily 1.0 (not Sun.) 3.30, 6.0, 8.30*.
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ICA CINEMA. The Mall, SW1. 930 3647 (closed Mon.). Tues. - Sun. WILLIAM RICHERT'S WINTER KILLS. Kennedy-conspiracy political satire from the book by Richard Condon with Jeff Bridges, John Huston, Anthony Perkins. 5.00, 7.00 & 9.00. ICA Cinematheque TUESDAY VIDEO: PERFORMANCE TAPED. 6.30 & 8.30. RADICAL DANCE: SANKAI JUKU PLUS. Separate perfs. All seats bookable.

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NATIONAL FILM THEATRE. 928 3232 NFT1. 2.30 THE COMPANY OF WOLVES (GB 1984). NFT1. 6.10 CHRISTIANE F (EST) (W Germany 1981) NFT1. 8.35 TO KILL A MOCKING BIRD (U) (USA 1962) NFT2. 6.15 WILD RIVER (USA 1960) NFT2. 8.30 THE LAST DAYS OF DOLWYN (GB 1949)
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## BIRTHS

**WOOD.** — To FRANCES and DAVID, a son, Blair Alexander, brother to Kyle, on February 19, at the Louise Margaret Hospital, Aldershot.

## DEATHS

**BENNETT (RUTH),** of 12 Calgarth Park, and late of Chorley Wood. Died of cancer on March 7, 1985, aged 75 years. No flowers.

**BREWER.** — On March 6, peacefully, ETHEL (PILLING), aged 84, formerly gym and games mistress Fairfield High School for Girls. Funeral at Guildford Crematorium, March 12, 3.30 pm. The ashes will be interred Sunday, March 17, 12.30 pm, at The Moravian Church, Baildon, Yorkshire. Donations if desired to the Village Hospital, Cranleigh, Surrey.

**FOXLEE (BERTIE TOWNER) (TOBY)** F/Lt. retired, D.F.C., D.F.M., R.A.F., aged 64 years, died peacefully on Thursday, March 7, 1985, at 12a Adams Hill, Keyworth, Notts, after a short illness. Mourned by Rosemary, Bud, Sarah, Nikki, Alex, Simon and all his loving Family in Australia and the UK, by 617 Squadron and Friends in Nottingham and Keyworth. Service and cremation at Wilford Hill, Nottingham, on Wednesday, March 13 at 3.45 pm. Friends welcome at the cremation and afterwards at 12a Adams Hill, Keyworth. Flowers to G.N.C.S. Funeral Service, Triumph Road, Lenton, Nottingham, or donations to Bomber Command Memorial Museum, R.A.F. Hendon, London, or the Marie Curie Foundation, 28 Belgrave Square, London.

**ROBERTSON (ANNIE).** — On March 6, 1985, at Oakdene Private Nursing Home, Oldham, formerly of 7 South View, Carrbrook. Funeral service on Wednesday, March 13 at 10 am at Dukinfield Crematorium. Family flowers only, donations to The Chest, Heart & Stroke Association, Department B, Tavistock House North, London WC1H 9JE.

**TURNER.** — On February 28, 1985, in a York Nursing Home, REGINALD B., R.I.B.A., M.R.T.P.I., aged 65 years, of the Ark, Ampleforth, North Yorkshire, dear Husband and Companion of Gladys. Private Cremation took place at York on March 4, 1985.

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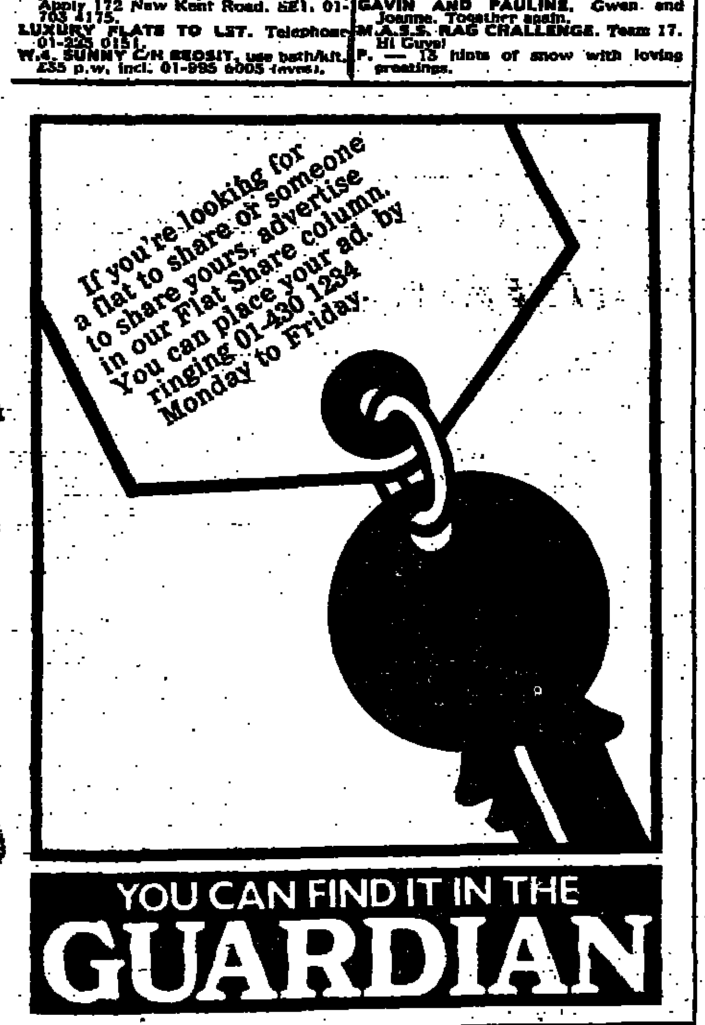
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*R. D. B. Hughes*
*Secretary to The Authority.*

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*By Order of the Board*

**B. L. DAVIDSON,**
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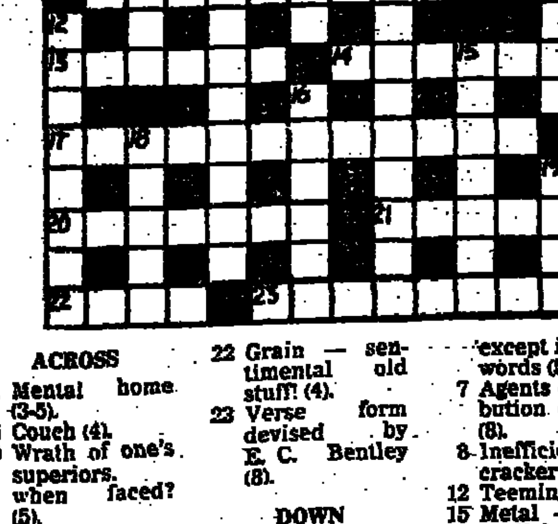
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14 One who belongs (6).
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20 Dishonest person on the roof? (7).
21 Lose one's feathers (5).
22 Grain — sentimental old stuff! (4).
23 Verse form devised by E. C. Bentley (8).

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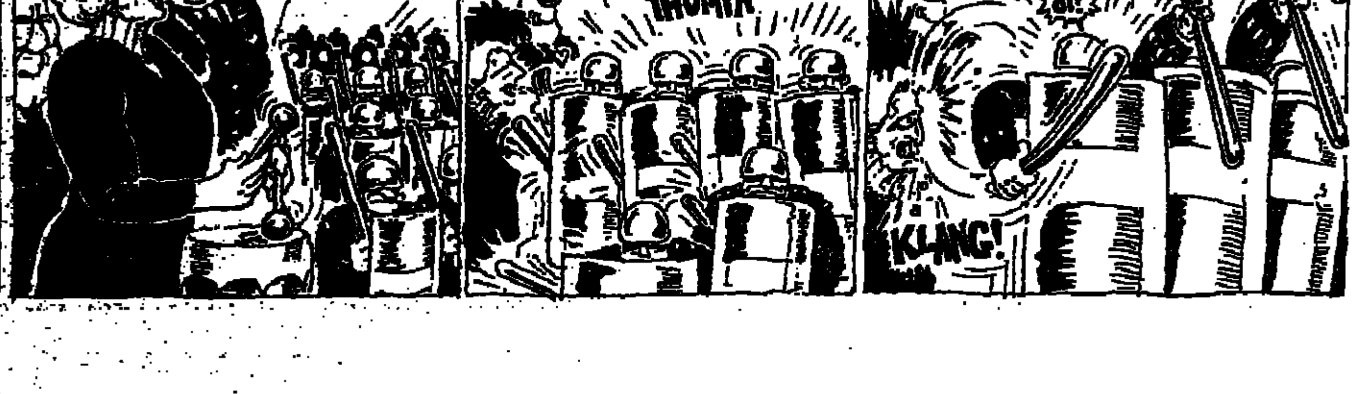
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### Audit Commission report to fuel Tory backbench anger over money from asset sales

# Council investment curbs 'waste millions'

By John Carvel, Local Government tCorrespondent

The audit Commission is about to produce a crushing indictment of how government controls of councils' capital investment are wasting huge sums of public money.

Simmering Tory backbench concern over the issue could have exploded into mutiny had the report been finalised before this week's Commons debate on ministers' latest changes in the local authority investment system.

The debate is about the Government's orders for curbing local authorities' rights to reinvest the proceeds of the sale of council houses and other assets, which would deprive them of £1 billion of spending power in the coming financial year.

Many Tory MPs feel it is a betrayal of ministers' promises that councils selling property would be allowed to plough the money back into building new homes, schools and roads in a resonably short time. The change puts into jeopardy many construction schemes and jobs in their constituencies.

A late drift of the commission's report says that there is little hope of preventing a crisis of dilapidation in council housing, schools and roads unless the authorities' capacity to reinvest capital receipts is increased.

It predicts that the rules will not meet the Government's purpose of bringing public expenditure under better control and suggests that chopping and changing the investment system has caused waste and delay of building projects worth hundreds of millions of pounds.

The commission is an independent body, appointed by the Environment Secretary to act as watchdog on the probity of councils' finances and do what it can to improve value for money in local authorities spending.

Its members include businessmen, as well as council representatives from the shires and big cities.

The report on local authority investment controls is not yet at the final draft stage. A commission meeting on Thursday reached broad agreement on sections criticising government policy but it was unhappy with some of the recommendations for reform proposed by its chief executive, Mr John Banham.

The report is expected to be published after Easter after a six-month investigation of the English local authorities, £5 billion-a-year capital expenditure.

It says councils underspent goverment limits by £1.4 billion between April 1981 and March 1983 and then overspent the limits by about £1.35 billion between April 1983 and March 1985.

These figures balance out over the four-year period but the variations have played havoc with national public spending accounts. The draft report says that the system is causing waste and inefficiency while failing to provide the Government with the degree of financial control it wants.

It ridicules the Department of the Environment's time-consuming system for controlling many council investment projects. It says that a 12-month delay in an inner city council house renovation project caused by the system can add more than 20 per cent to costs because of inflation and temporary accommodation charges for homeless families.

Government form-filling alone can add per cent to project costs says the commission which questions whether this degree of central control is necessary or desirable.

The main attack centres on waste caused by the Government's frequent changes in rules and investment allocations. It says this results in projects being started without proper evaluation and with extravagant costs.

There will be a shortage of 500,000 homes and a council house repairs backlog of £15 billion by next year, which will create a crisis and another expensive programme of rushed construction, it fears.

# Audits uncover abuse of NHS by consultants, says Meacher

By Ian Aitken, Political Editor

Mr Michael Meacher, Labour's social services secretary, claimed yesterday that an analysis of the audit reports of 17 health authorities showed widespread abuse and possible fraud by NHS consultants who also engage in private practice.

The analysis, he said, showed that there had been abuses, and perhaps even cases of fraud, in seven of the 17 authorities. At least 14 authorities had lost money as a result of failures to identify or charge for treatment of private patients.

Mr Meacher's allegations are the most detailed and specific so far made by the Labour Party in the long-running controversy over private practice within the NHS. The material raised doubts about whether private medicine could ever be properly regulated within the NHS, Mr Meacher said.

He challenged the Government to give an assurance to Parliament that every case of fraud revealed in the total of 37 health authority audit reports would be fully investigated. He called for the publication of all the reports in full.

The analysis of the 17 health authority audits available to the Labour Party claims that there has been a lack of control and direction over private medicine in 10 of the authorities. In six, the consultants directly concerned have been trusted to provide the information on when and how much to charge for private treatment.

In 14 authorities, says the analysis, there have been failures to provide proper identification of private patients, with a resulting loss of revenue to the NHS. It adds that the auditors pointed to "substantial loss of revenue" in six authorities — Sheffield, North-east Essex, Darlington, Coventry.

Some highly plestigeous institutions do not escape the Labour Party allegations, including the Hospital for Sick Children. It is among a group in which, according to the reports, "there is clear evidence . . . that some consultants are abusing the opportunity to practise privately as well as within the NHS — some systematically and deliberately."

The report goes on to claim that "in Sheffield, Darlington, Shropshire, South Tees, Nottingham and Oxfordshire there is unequivocal evidence that some consultants are pocketing private patient fees without repaying the NHS for use of NHS time, equipment or manpower."

Moreover, in Nottingham diagnostic work was carried out free for a private hospital. In Oxfordshire, a private hospital regularly borrowed an endoscopy unit without charge. Instead, they made a "donation" to NHS staff amenities, the report says.

The analysis also accuses NHS administrators of serious failures of direction and control. Perhaps the most worrying, it says, was a case in South Tees where the chief ambulance officer warned that the use of NHS ambulances to take patients to convalescent homes was having an effect on NHS standards.

The officer pointed out that these journeys had been made 50 times in a single financial year. The warnings were ignored, says the report.

At the Great Ormond Street Hospital for Sick Children, the auditor found that financial controls on private practice were "poor or non-existent," that there were no internal checks were in operation to ensure that money due to the authority was collected, and that a number of weaknesses were found which could result in loss or fraud.

At least three famous London teaching hospitals feature to a modest degree in the Labour Party accusations. It is alleged that few of the private outpatients at University College Hospital and the Middlesex Hospital were required to sign undertakings to pay for their treatment.

At the Middlesex, identification of private patients was left to the consultants, and at UCH there had been a failure to notify all private patients in four departments.

# NUM broke after strike borrowing, Scargill tells rally

By John Ardill, Labour Correspondent

Mr Arthur Scargill admitted yesterday that the National Union of Mineworkers is, in effect, broke. All the money seized abroad by the sequestrators was borrowed and if returned would realise nothing he told a rally at Rugely, Staffordshire.

He estimated it had been costing £150,000 a week to keep the union running, without "a single contribution coming in." The TUC has been urging unions to support the NUM with interest free loans and the Transport Workers Union said last week that it had lent the NUM centrally and regionally "several million" pounds.

Both the TGWU general secretary, Mr Moss Evans, and the General, Municipal and Boilermakers' leader, Mr David Basnett, pledged last week that their unions would not allow the fabric of the NUM to be destroyed. Mr Basnett said reviving the union was the first task of the movement.

Mr Ian MacGregor, National Coal Board chairman, bluntly confirmed yesterday that the board will not re-employ miners convicted of violence with a comment that "people are now discovering the price of insubordination and insurrection — and boy are we going to make it stick."

His statements in a newspaper interview which described Mr MacGregor as "cock-a-hoop," and later on radio, were condemned by Mr Scargill as inflamatory and a recipe for catastrophe in the industry. The NUM president added that his members "will not accept destructive, draconian measures against them or the future of their pits and communities without resorting to industrial action."

Mr Scargill backed his threat with evidence from a Mori poll for Granada TV's Union World programme that 68 per cent of miners would support the union in taking industrial action to oppose pit closures on economic grounds in their own areas.

The poll also showed 57 per cent of miners in favour of continuing the overtime ban. The Nottinghamshire miners, who lifted the ban, worked the first overtime shifts for 16 months at the weekend.

Mr Scargill, urging miners to recommit themselves to the struggle which had "entered a new era", said the overtime ban would bring final victory. And he called for a four-day week in the industry to protect jobs displaced by new technology.

In contrast with his tough statement on reinstatement of convicted miners, Mr MacGregor was muted yesterday on colliery closures. But he said the Government's policy of producing coal at an economic cost had been "very much the reverse" of jeopardised by the strike.

He said on BBC Radio's World This Weekend: "The aim has, I think, been achieved. We will now proceed to a period in which we move in the direction of working on the more economic production of coal."

Asked if this meant the pit closure programme he said: "There may be some closures involved but that's not new in the mining business. Coal mines do become exhausted and many times unworkable for other reasons and I think you will see there is no different programme than there has been in the past in this regard."

Sackings inquiry demand. page 4; Letters, page 12



Viktor Karpov, the head of the Soviet delegation, speaking at Geneva after arriving for the arms control talks, which begin tomorrow. With him is colleague Alexej Obukhov

# PM starts task force for small businesses

By Ian Aitken, Political Editor

The Prime Minister has established a small task force of ministers under Lord Young, her newest Cabinet minister, to draw up an emergency package of measures designed to emulate the success of United States small business sector in creating jobs.

The move reflects Mrs Thatcher's growing infatuation with what she regards as American economic success. Her mood of admiration for both President Reagan and his administration is now almost legendary among many of her Cabinet colleagues.

This has followed a series of lunches at Downing Street at which she is reported to have harangued ministers with accounts of the success of American policies in their own departmental areas, and to have issued them with crisp orders on how to reproduce that success in this country.

Two of her principle targets have been Mr Norman Fowler, the Health and Social Services Secretary, and Mr Patrick Jenkin, the Environment Secretary. The main theme has been the success of America's free enterprise system in stimulating jobs. Her enthusiasm stems from briefings she received from senior White House and US Treasury officials during her recent visit to Washington, in which the main emphasis was on the importance of small businesses in providing jobs at a time of international economic recession.

Perhaps intoxicated by the warmth of her reception by the two houses of the US Congress, and by the evident admiration of many ordinary Americans, Mrs Thatcher appears to have been more than usually carried away by the message. Back in Whitehall, she has been repeating it to any minister or official who comes her way.

The central fact in her argument is that American experts told her that nine out of 10 of the 20 million jobs created in the United States in the past 15 years had emerged in firms employing fewer than 100 workers.

She is understood to add that two out of every three of these jobs were created in firms employing fewer than 50 workers. Her overriding message is that Britain has to do as well as the Americans, and that the task of the Government is to create the competitive conditions in which enteprising small businesses can flourish.

She has appointed Lord Young, her Minister without Portfolio, to head the task force of ministers and officials to draw up immediate plans to put this programme into effect. Their orders are to have proposals ready in good time for next year's Queen's Speech.

# Doubts cast on Murdoch plan for evening paper

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agreement on manning levels and that agreement is at the moment a long, long way off. We welcome any plans for a new title but there has to be an agreement first." The national executive of Sogat 82 will meet today to discuss a report on News International's printing plans.

Mr Murdoch began negotiations with the print unions on manning levels at the Tower Hamlets plant, where he was hoping to switch production of the Sun and the News of the World, two years ago. Last night, Mr Keys said he doubted whether agreement could be reached by October, when Mr Murdoch hoped to start printing at the plant.

● Private Eye is to reprint tomorrow copies of the edition it was forced to withdraw from sale last week because of reference it contained to Mr Cecil Parkinson, the former Conservative Party chairman, and Mrs Angela Mathew, his secretary at the House of Commons.

Mr Ian Hislop, the magazine's deputy editor, said last night they would reprint 100,000 copies of last week's edition, with the offending two paragraphs referring to Mr Parkinson taken out.

# Relief as arms talks resume

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address this morning's session of the UN emergency committee on famine in Africa.

Mr Reagan having told Americans in his weekly radio broadcast that he needs his MX programme to show the Russians in Geneva that "the US is serious about defending itself," also wants key legislators to enjoy briefings from his negotiators in Geneva.

Without MX Mr Kampelman and company are telling the congressmen that the US position vis-a-vis the Russians would be undercut.

The 11 US senators include Senator Robert Dole, the Senate majority leader, who has presidential aspirations, as well as Senator Sam Nunn, who is the influential Democratic co-chairman of the Senate Armed Services Committee.

Others who want to have a small share of the action include Mr Richard Luce, the Foreign Office Minister who has managed to time a speech at the UN Disarmament Committee to coincide with the opening of the US-Soviet talks.

In London, Mr Denis Healey said that Europe should be prepared to have an "almighty row" with the US over the Geneva talks. The shadow foreign secretary called on European governments to stand together and assert their opposition to President Reagan's Star Wars plans.

# GLC votes for cuts

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which could legally finance them.

Yesterday he changed his position and explained that it had become clear that there was no majority on the council for refusing to fix a rate and that it was essential to avoid the possibility of a Tory cuts budget.

Mr Livingstone was booed from the gallery as he urged acceptance of the maximum rate.

He begged colleagues on the Labour left for support, declaring: "We have no right to put on the line other people's jobs."

But the 10 Labour rebels ensured that the administration's budget did not pass. The Tories, who had been arguing on Friday for £200 million worth of cuts and a rate of only 29p in the pound, made great strides towards a compromise with Labour

● The Labour leader, Mr Neil Kinnock, yesterday described rebel councils prepared to break the law over their budgets as "the fingernail of the Labour movement." The vast body of the Labour party recognised the need to stay in office rather than take the easy option of "cutting and running," he said on BBC Scotland's Seven Days programme.

# TGWU leader handles further ballot complaint

By Keith Harper, Labour Editor

A senior Transport and General Workers' Union official has investigated another complaint about irregularities in last year's ballot for the general secretaryship.

Mr Alex Kitson, the union's deputy general secretary and former chairman of the Labour Party, has made initial inquiries into the complaint, from the Liverpool area, which were understood to be continuing last night.

The investigation comes as fraud squad detectives are inquiring into ballot-rigging in the union's local authority branch in Bristol, details of which have already appeared in the Guardian. The inquiry was upheld by the TGWU's general executive after evidence was produced showing that ballot papers had been torn up in front of union officials.

Police became involved when TGWU members contacted them after the internal inquiry was completed. It was subsequently discovered that the irregularities may have involved a second branch.

The misdemeanours at Bristol were brought to the attention of officials by members who said that a number of cards at the branch had been irregularly stamped GS (general secretary), as if they had been used to vote.

One district official and a regional committee member were barred from membership of the TGWU after the inquiry and an appeal was rejected.

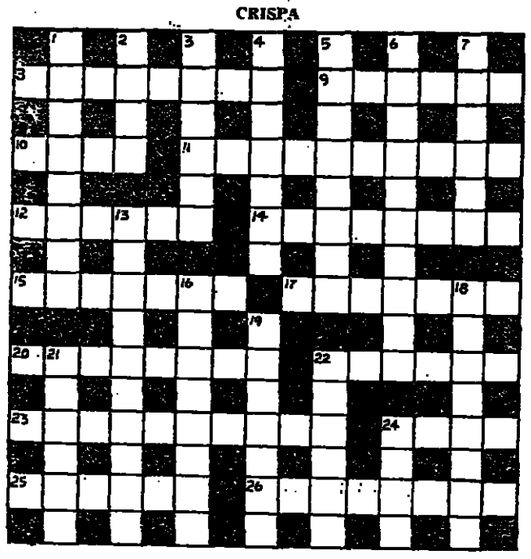
Mr Moss Evans, the general secretary, said last night that the union was co-operating with police. Papers which they wanted to see would be examined in his presence after he had returned from a union visit abroad.

Mr Evans said that the TGWU was a democratic union with noting to hide and only three complaints had been received. The union was examining a complaint from a north London bus garage and had dealt with that of an agricultural worker who said that he had been denied the vote.

Mr Ron Todd, the union's national organiser, defeated Mr George Wright, its South Wales regional secretary, by 273,662 votes to 228,845, with three other candidates sharing 115,272 votes. Bristol votes were disqualified by regional officials.

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**ACROSS**

8 A light sweet (5-3).
9 The company in love with a girl (6).
10 Favour a flutter (4).
11 A Dane, quite well-built but short (10).
12 Make an effort for the family (6).
14 Win many over before the hunt (6).
15 Considering a "D" on pottery of great value (7).
17 Caught a beginner in good time, no doubt (7).
20 At one time receiving right and proper weaponry (8).
22 Tottered as a result of wound (6).
23 Inside workers possibly tested multi-purpose furniture (3-7).
24 Leaves bearer a note with touching contents (4).
25 Strict minister's retirement in view (6).
26 On strike till finding a place in Wales (8).

**DOWN**

1 Rock-buns — articles to get nicely brown (8).
2 Fathead left at home (4).
3 Leave for which soldiers subscribe (6).
4 Coppers must accept an imposed punishment (7).
5 Accursed but trendy green growth on a lake (8).
6 Bill leads a mule, cut in a riot, to lay up (10).
7 Criticises the roofing material used (6).
13 Little publicity is given to official run (10).
16 Turn in goal and even nearly score (8).
18 People from Northern Europe — loyal people (5, 3).
19 Displays several new finds (7).
21 A jacket made from grass? (6).
22 Seeing employer returning before half-time, get started again! (6).
24 The direction to be taken next (4).

Solution tomorrow

**SOLUTION (left) TO PRIZE PUZZLE No. 17,174**

RUMOURHASITT
AUANAPCRR
GENETICSEALANE
USEOBNNH
INTERLUDETASTE
SHITEIMA
HOODCHANDELIER
GDSG
CHARIOTEERDRAM
AUSUCAA
NONESRELEGATED
OTUNOEUR
POLLACKGONDOLA
YEDPERUBINS
THEPYRENEES

Winner of this week's £20 prize is A. Stone, of 10 Weigall Road, Lee, London SE12 8HE. Runners-up (£10 book token each) are: J. A. Watts, of 52 Springfield Road, Broadwey, Weymouth, Dorset; K. Russell, of 98 Morrell Avenue, Oxford; and Mrs L. Hill, of 23 Roberts Road, Balby, Doncaster, South Yorkshire.

# THE WEATHER

## Dry and sunny

A WEAK frontal trough of low pressure will approach N areas of Scotland, but a large and slow-moving anticyclone centred over England and Wales will cover most other areas.

**London, SE, Cent S and SW England:** Misty at first, then dry with sunny periods developing. Wind NE, light, locally moderate. Little change normal, maximum temperatures 9–11C (48–52F).

**E Anglia, E England:** Misty at first, then dry with sunny periods. Wind N light. Little change normal, 9–11C (48–52F), but cooler near coasts.

**Midlands, Wales, NW, Cent N and NE England, Lake District, Isle of Man, Borders, Edinburgh, Dundee, Aberdeen, Cent Scotland, Glasgow, Cent Highlands, Moray Firth, Argyll, Northern Ireland:** Dry with sunny periods after early morning fog patches. Wind variable, light. Little change normal, 9–11C (48–52F).

**Channel Islands:** Dull with some drizzle but bright or sunny intervals developing. Wind NE, moderate. Near normal, 7–9C (45–48F).

**NE and NW Scotland, Orkney, Shetland:** Rather cloudy. Occasional light rain later. Wind SW, moderate increasing fresh. Little change normal, 3–10C (46–50F).

**Outlook:** Dry and frosty in most areas but rain in the far N spreading slowly S into central areas later, followed by showers in N. Temperatures a little above normal but becoming colder in N.

**SCOTTISH SKI REPORTS**

**Cairngorms:** Upper runs and middle runs possible. Lower slopes no snow or very little. Vertical runs 1,400ft. Roads clear. Snow level 2,000ft.

**Glenshee:** Upper runs some complete, spring snow. Lower slopes no snow. Vertical runs 1,000ft. Roads clear. Snow level 2,000ft.

**Glencoe:** Insufficient snow.

**Lecht:** Upper runs almost complete, wet snow. Middle runs complete but narrow, wet snow. Lower slopes limited mossy areas, wet snow. Vertical runs 700ft. Roads clear. Snow level 2,000ft.

**Outlook:** Cloudy with rain, falling as sleet or snow on summits.

### AROUND BRITAIN

Reports for the 24 hours ended 6 am Saturday:

| | Sunshine hrs. | Rain in. | Max. temp C | Max. temp F | Weather (day) |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| **ENGLAND AND WALES** | | | | | |
| London | 2.0 | — | 12 | 54 | Bright am |
| Birmingham | 3.1 | .03 | 11 | 52 | Rain pm |
| Bristol | 5.4 | — | 12 | 54 | Sunny |
| Cardiff | 5.6 | — | 12 | 54 | Fog am |
| Anglesey | 5.0 | — | 10 | 50 | Bright |
| Blackpool | 3.5 | — | 11 | 52 | Bright |
| Manchester | — | — | 11 | 52 | Cloudy |
| Nottingham | 0.5 | — | 10 | 50 | Cloudy |
| Newcastle | 1.5 | — | 11 | 52 | Bright |
| Carlisle | 0.3 | — | 11 | 52 | Cloudy |
| **EAST COAST** | | | | | |
| Scarborough | 0.3 | — | 10 | 50 | Cloudy |
| Bridlington | — | — | 10 | 50 | Bright pm |
| Cromer | 1.0 | — | 13 | 55 | Bright |
| Yarmouth | 4.1 | — | 13 | 55 | Sunny am |
| Clacton | 3.8 | — | 9 | 48 | Sunny pm |
| Margate | — | — | 9 | 48 | Sunny pm |
| **SOUTH COAST** | | | | | |
| Folkestone | 8.5 | — | 10 | 50 | Sunny |
| Hastings | 4.7 | — | 9 | 48 | Sunny am |
| Eastbourne | 2.6 | — | 7 | 45 | Bright |
| Brighton | — | — | 6 | 43 | Fog am |
| Worthing | — | — | 8 | 46 | Cloudy |
| Bognor Regis | 0.8 | — | 8 | 46 | Cloudy |
| Southsea | 5.4 | — | 9 | 48 | Sunny pm |
| Swanage | 6.4 | — | 10 | 50 | Sunny pm |
| Swanlin | 5.8 | — | 11 | 52 | Sunny |
| Ventnor | 3.8 | — | 8 | 46 | Bright |
| Bournemouth | 5.6 | — | 11 | 52 | Sunny pm |
| Poole | 5.6 | — | 11 | 52 | Sunny |
| Sidmouth | 6.5 | — | 12 | 54 | Sunny |
| Weymouth | 3.3 | — | 8 | 46 | Fog |
| Exmouth | 3.1 | .01 | 9 | 48 | Fog |
| Teignmouth | 2.9 | — | 7 | 45 | Sunny am |
| Torquay | 6.8 | — | 13 | 55 | Sunny |
| Penzance | 6.5 | — | 13 | 55 | Sunny |
| Jersey | 5.8 | — | 13 | 55 | Sunny |
| Guernsey | 9.7 | — | 11 | 52 | Sunny |
| **WEST COAST** | | | | | |
| Scilly Isles | 8.8 | — | 13 | 55 | Sunny |
| Newquay | 5.5 | — | 13 | 55 | Bright |
| Ilfracombe | 8.4 | — | 12 | 54 | Sunny |
| Tenby | 5.7 | .01 | 9 | 48 | Sunny |
| Southport | 2.1 | — | 11 | 52 | Bright |
| Morecambe | 2.6 | — | 10 | 50 | Cloudy |
| Douglas | 4.9 | — | 9 | 48 | Sunny pm |
| **SCOTLAND** | | | | | |
| Edinburgh | — | .04 | 6 | 43 | Rain |
| Prestwick | 0.3 | .01 | 12 | 54 | Rain am |
| Glasgow | 0.1 | .01 | 11 | 52 | Cloudy |
| Tiree | — | — | 10 | 50 | Rain |
| Stornoway | — | .16 | 7 | 45 | Rain |
| Lerwick | — | .11 | 8 | 46 | Rain |
| Wick | — | — | 12 | 54 | Bright |
| Dalcross | 2.4 | — | 15 | 59 | Sunny pm |
| Aberdeen | 0.1 | — | 12 | 54 | Cloudy |
| St Andrews | — | — | 11 | 52 | Rain pm |
| Edinburgh | 0.6 | — | 13 | 55 | Cloudy |

**NORTHERN IRELAND**

Belfast. 0.1 — 13 55 Dull

Reports for the 24 hours ended 6 pm yesterday:

| | hrs. Sunshine | in Rain | C Temp | F Temp | (day) Weather |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| **ENGLAND AND WALES** | | | | | |
| London | 2.7 | — | 13 | 55 | Drizzle pm |
| Birmingham | 1.5 | .01 | 11 | 52 | Sunny am |
| Bristol | 3.8 | — | 13 | 55 | Rain pm |
| Cardiff | 4.2 | — | 11 | 52 | Dull |
| Anglesey | 4.7 | .12 | 10 | 50 | Rain am |
| Blackpool | 2.5 | .13 | 10 | 50 | Rain am |
| Manchester | 1.1 | — | 8 | 46 | Rain am |
| Nottingham | 0.6 | .04 | 10 | 50 | Rain pm |
| Newcastle | 3.9 | .12 | 10 | 50 | Rain am |
| Carlisle | 2.2 | .16 | 10 | 50 | Rain am |
| **EAST COAST** | | | | | |
| Scarborough | 1.7 | .08 | 10 | 50 | Cloudy |
| Bridlington | 1.5 | .20 | 10 | 50 | Rain |
| Cromer | 4.7 | .08 | 12 | 54 | Rain |
| Lowestoft | 3.1 | .02 | 12 | 54 | Rain pm |
| Clacton | 3.0 | — | 11 | 52 | Bright am |
| Margate | — | — | 8 | 46 | Cloudy |
| **SOUTH COAST** | | | | | |
| Folkestone | 1.6 | — | 12 | 54 | Cloudy |
| Hastings | 2.9 | — | 12 | 54 | Fog am |
| Eastbourne | 4.6 | — | 13 | 55 | Sunny |
| Brighton | — | — | 12 | 54 | Bright am |
| Worthing | 4.1 | — | 13 | 55 | Cloudy |
| Bognor Reg's | 4.3 | — | 13 | 55 | Bright |
| Southsea | 5.5 | — | 13 | 55 | Sunny am |
| Swanage | 6.9 | — | 13 | 55 | Sunny am |
| Swanlin | 6.9 | — | 12 | 54 | Sunny |
| Ventnor | 7.6 | — | 12 | 54 | Sunny |
| Bournemouth | 2.9 | — | 12 | 54 | Bright am |
| Sidmouth | 4.1 | — | 10 | 50 | Cloudy pm |
| Weymouth | 2.2 | — | 9 | 48 | Dull |
| Exmouth | — | — | 11 | 52 | Cloudy |
| Teignmouth | 0.3 | — | 12 | 54 | Cloudy |
| Torquay | 0.5 | — | 13 | 55 | Cloudy |
| Falmouth | 0.3 | — | 13 | 55 | Dull |
| Penzance | 0.9 | — | 12 | 54 | Dull |
| Jersey | 2.0 | — | 11 | 52 | Bright |
| Guernsey | 3.1 | — | 11 | 52 | Dull |
| **WEST COAST** | | | | | |
| Scilly Isles | 0.5 | — | 11 | 52 | Cloudy |
| Newquay | 0.2 | .02 | 10 | 50 | Showers |
| Ilfracombe | 1.3 | .02 | 10 | 50 | Bright pm |
| Tenby | 7.2 | .02 | 11 | 52 | Sunny |
| Colwyn Bay | 1.3 | .07 | 10 | 50 | Sunny pm |
| Southport | 4.4 | .10 | 8 | 46 | Bright pm |
| Morecambe | 2.8 | .15 | 9 | 48 | Rain am |
| Douglas | 6.3 | .04 | 10 | 50 | Sunny pm |
| **SCOTLAND** | | | | | |
| Eskdalemuir | 5.5 | .20 | 9 | 48 | Rain am |
| Prestwick | 3.8 | .07 | 11 | 52 | Sunny |
| Glasgow | 5.2 | .02 | 12 | 54 | Sunny |
| Tiree | 5.7 | .09 | 9 | 48 | Sunny |
| Stornoway | 4.2 | .26 | 9 | 48 | Sunny |
| Lerwick | 8.0 | .02 | 8 | 46 | Showers |
| Wick | 8.7 | .07 | 9 | 48 | Showers am |
| Kinloss | 7.2 | .28 | 9 | 48 | Rain am |
| Aberdeen | 7.0 | .01 | 9 | 48 | Sunny |
| St Andrews | 5.6 | .11 | 11 | 52 | Rain am |
| Edinburgh | 6.5 | .10 | 11 | 52 | Sunny |
| **NORTHERN IRELAND** | | | | | |
| Belfast. | 8.3 | .02 | 10 | 50 | Sunny |

**MANCHESTER READINGS**

From 6 pm Friday to 6 am Saturday: Min temp 5C (41F). From 6 am to 6 pm Saturday: Max temp 11C (52F). Total period: sunshine, 2hrs, rainfall, nil.

From 6 pm to 6 am yesterday: Max temp 8C (46F). Total period: sunshine, 1.1hrs. rainfall 0.01in.

**SATELLITE PREDICTIONS**

The figures give in order, time and visibility, when rising, maximum elevation and direction of setting. An asterisk denotes entering or leaving eclipse.

London

Ariel 6: 19.06–19.11 WNW 55SW SE*. 20.44–20.45 WSW 10WSW WSW*.

Cosmos 151R: 19.02–19.07 WNW 55NNW E*; 20.39–20.43 WNW 20W W*.

Cosmos 185R: 19.43–19.46 NNW 15NNE NNE*.

Cosmos 220R: 19.42–19.49 NNW 70S SSE*; 21.23–21.27 W 10W WSW.

Meteor 22R: 19.24–19.34 NNW 65WNW S; 21.10–21.13 WNW 10W W.

Manchester

Ariel 6: 19.06–19.11 W 45S SE; 20.44–20.45 WSW 10SW SW*.

Cosmos 151R: 19.02–19.07 WNW 80NNE ESE*; 20.39–20.41 W 30SW SW*.

Cosmos 185R: 19.43–19.46 NW 20NNE NE*; 21.22–21.23 NW 20NW NW*.

Cosmos 220R: 19.42–19.49 NNW 85SW SSE*; 21.24–21.27 WNW 15W WSW.

Meteor 22R: 19.24–19.34 NNW 75SW S; 21.09–21.13 NW 15WNW W.

**LONDON READINGS**

From 6pm Friday to 6am Saturday: Min temp 4C (39F). From 6am to 6pm Saturday: Max temp 11C (52F). Total period: sunshine, 2hrs, rainfall, nil.

From 6pm Saturday to 6am yesterday: Min temp 7C (45F). From 6am to 6pm yesterday: Max temp 13C (55F). Total period: sunshine, 2.7hrs rainfall, nil.

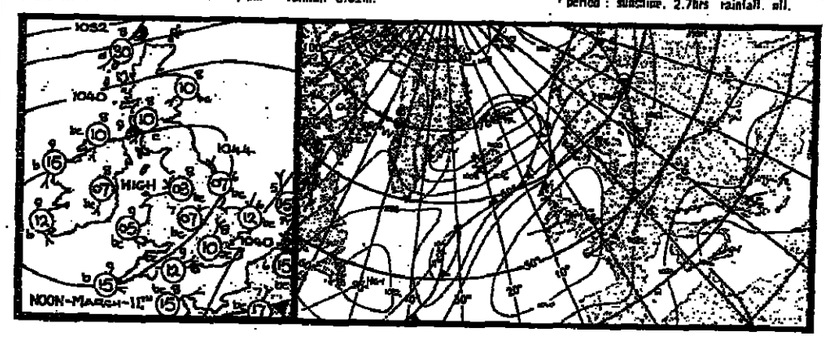
**LIGHTING-UP TIMES**

| | |
|---|---|
| Belfast | 6.49 pm to 6.13 am |
| Birmingham | 6.33 pm to 6.00 am |
| Bristol | 6.37 pm to 6.03 am |
| Glasgow | 6.41 pm to 6.12 am |
| London | 6.27 pm to 5.53 am |
| Manchester | 6.34 pm to 6.03 am |
| Newcastle | 6.31 pm to 6.00 am |
| Nottingham | 6.31 pm to 6.00 am |

**HIGH-TIDE TABLE**

| | | |
|---|---|---|
| London Bridge | 4.23 am | 5.04 pm |
| Dover | 1.41 am | 2.02 pm |
| Liverpool | 1.54 am | 2.12 pm |

SUN RISES 6.26 am
SUN SETS 5.57 pm
MOON SETS 8.19 am
MOON RISES (March 12) 12.26 am
MOON: Last quarter March 15.




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